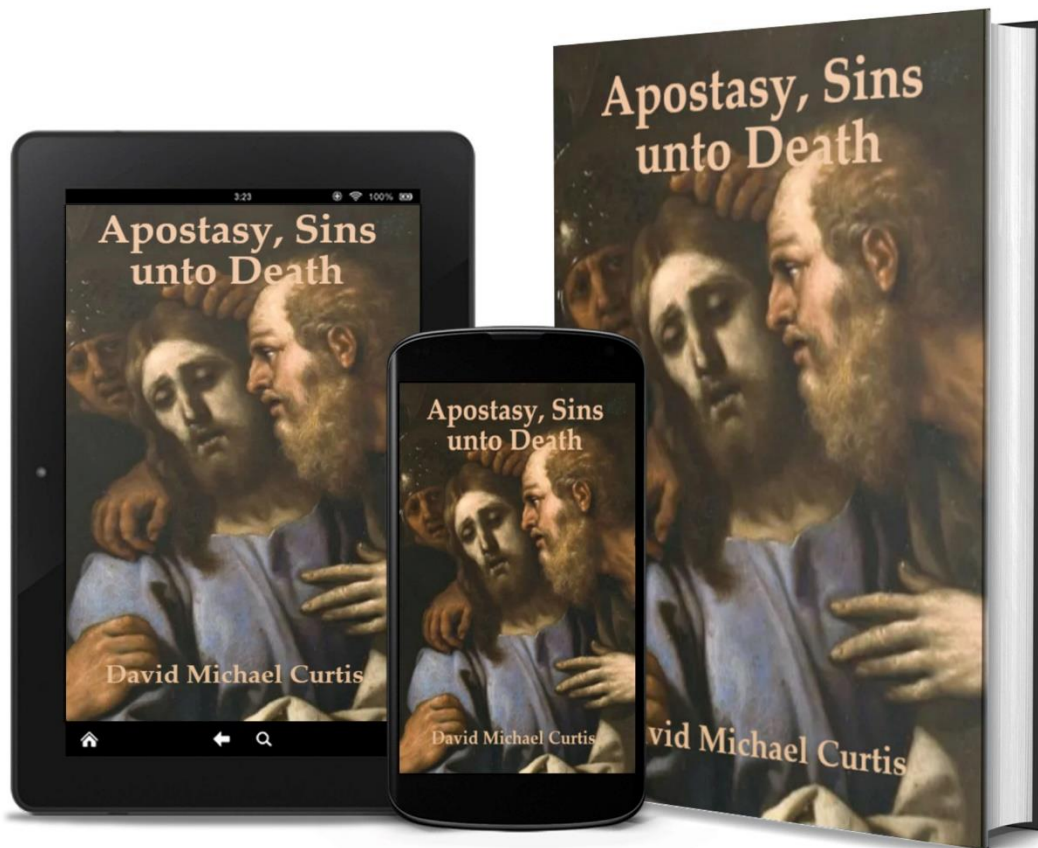


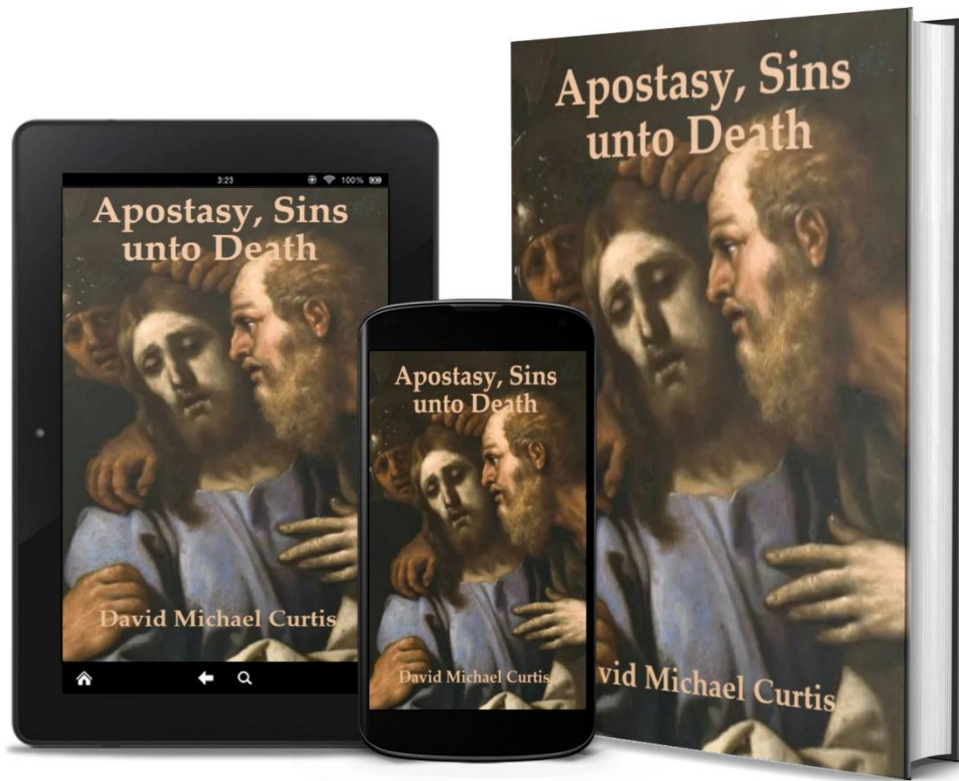


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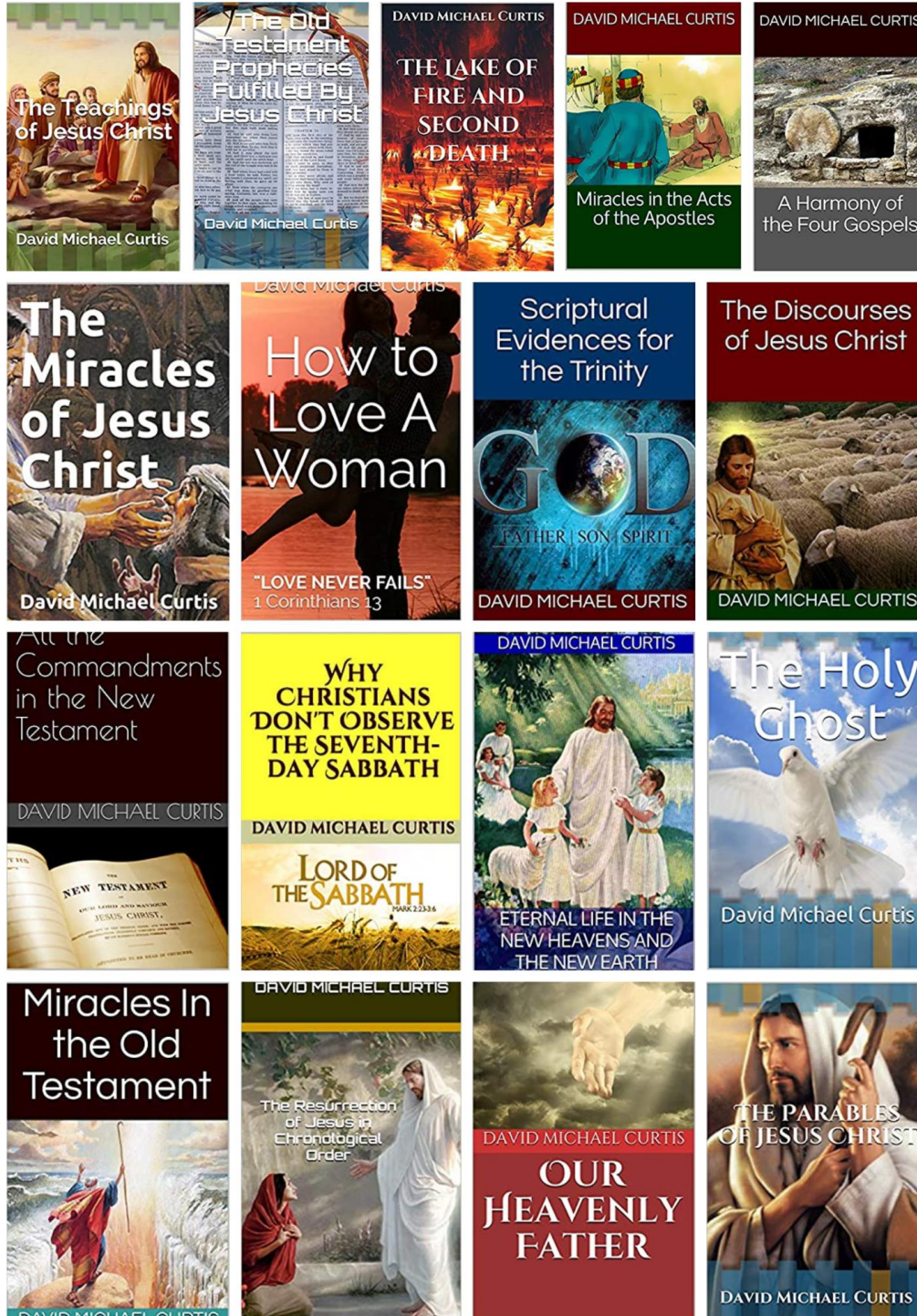
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Parable of the Sower

The Good Ground

Matthew 13:23 But he that received seed into the good ground is he that **heareth the word, and understandeth it**; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

Mark 4:20 And these are they which are sown on good ground; such as **hear the word, and receive it**, and bring forth fruit, some thirtyfold, some sixty, and some an hundred.

Luke 8:15 But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having **heard the word, keep it**, and bring forth fruit with patience

Key Points About “The Good Ground” Hearers of the Word:

- Understandeth It
- Receive It
- Keep It

Hebrews 4:2 For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but **the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard it**.

The Wayside

Matthew 13:19 When any one **heareth the word** of the kingdom, and **understandeth it not**, then cometh the wicked one, and **catcheth away that which was sown in his heart**. This is he which received seed by the way side.

Mark 4:15 And these are they by the way side, where the word is sown; but **when they have heard**, Satan cometh immediately, and **taketh away the word that was sown in their hearts**.

Luke 8:12 Those by the way side are they **that hear**; then cometh the devil, and **taketh away the word out of their hearts**, *lest they should BELIEVE and BE SAVED*.

Key Points About “The Wayside” Hearers of the Word:

- Understandeth It Not
- Lest They Should BELIEVE and BE SAVED (Do Not Believe)

Related Verses

“Understandeth it not.”

Matthew 13:15 For *this people's heart is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart*, and should be converted, and I should heal them.

Hebrews 4:7 Again, he limiteth a certain day, saying in David, To day, after so long a time; as it is said, **To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts**.

Ephesians 4:18 Having the understanding darkened, *being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:*

Matthew 11:25 At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because **thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes.**

The Stoney Ground

Matthew 13:20. But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that **heareth the word**, and anon with joy receiveth it; Yet **hath he not root** in himself, but dureth for a while: for **when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended.**

Mark 4:16. And these are they likewise which are sown on stony ground; who, when they have **heard the word**, immediately receive it with gladness; And have **no root** in themselves, and so endure but for a time: afterward, **when affliction or persecution ariseth for the word's sake, immediately they are offended.**

Luke 8:13. They on the rock are they, which, when **they hear**, receive the word with joy; and these have **no root**, which **for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away.**

Key Points About "The Stoney Ground" Hearers of the Word:

- Endure For a While
- For A While Believe
- When Affliction Or Persecution Ariseth Are Offended
- And Fall Away

The Thorny Ground

Matthew 13:22. He also that received seed among the thorns is he **that heareth the word**; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, **choke the word**, and he **becometh unfruitful.**

Mark 4:18. And these are they which are sown among thorns; such as **hear the word**, And the cares of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the lusts of other things entering in, **choke the word**, and **it becometh unfruitful.**

Luke 8:14. And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when **they have heard**, go forth, and **are choked** with cares and riches and pleasures of *this* life, and **bring no fruit** to perfection.

Key Points About "The Thorny Ground" Hearers of the Word:

- The Care of This World
- The Deceitfulness of Riches
- The Lusts of Other Things
- The Pleasures of This Life
- Choke the Word

He that cometh to God must...

Hebrews 11:6 But without faith *it is* impossible to please *him*: for **he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.**

1. Must... believe that God exists, that "he is." "I AM THAT I AM"
2. Diligently seek Him.
3. Repent, get baptized, love one another, i.e. "bear fruit."

The three lost soils:

1. Doubt that God exists, (or deny the deity of Christ)

John 8:24 I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am *he*, ye shall die in your sins.

2. Do not seek God (or stop seeking God, to pursue other things).
3. Do not bear fruit (**don't** repent)

Trust in the LORD with all thine heart

Proverbs 3:5-7 Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil.

- Trust in the LORD with all thine heart;
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- In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.
- Be not wise in thine own eyes:
- Fear the LORD, and depart from evil.

Neither *are* your ways my ways.

Isaiah 55:6-9 Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts *are* not your thoughts, neither *are* your ways my ways, saith the LORD. For *as* the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ

1 John 3:22-23 And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight. And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment.

Repentance to the acknowledging of the truth

2 Timothy 2:23-26 But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes. And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all *men*, apt to teach, patient, In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them **repentance to the acknowledging of the truth**; And *that* they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.

There Are Sins unto Death—Apostasy

Different Degrees of Punishment

Luke 12:47-48 And that servant, which knew his lord's will, and prepared not *himself*, neither did according to his will, shall be beaten with many *stripes*. But he that knew not, and did commit things worthy of stripes, shall be beaten with few *stripes*. For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more.

THERE ARE SINS NOT UNTO DEATH

1 John 5:16-17 If any man see his brother sin *a sin which is not unto death*, he shall ask, and he shall give him life for **them that sin not unto death**. There is a sin unto death: I do not say that he shall pray for it. All unrighteousness is sin: and **there is a sin not unto death**.

God Forgives All Who Repent, and Believe the Gospel

Mark 1:15 And saying, *The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: **repent ye, and believe the gospel***.

Luke 24:47 And that **repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name** among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

God Forgives All Who Humble Themselves and Confess Their Sins

1 John 1:9 If we confess **our sins**, he is faithful and just to forgive us *our sins*, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Luke 18:13-14 And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as *his* eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, **God be merciful to me a sinner. I tell you, this man went down to his house justified** *rather* than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and **he that humbleth himself shall be exalted**.

THERE ARE SINS UNTO DEATH

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The Wrath of God Upon the Children of Disobedience.

Ephesians 5:3-6. But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints; neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks. For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, **HATH ANY INHERITANCE IN THE KINGDOM OF CHRIST AND OF GOD.** Let no man deceive you with vain words: for **BECAUSE OF THESE THINGS COMETH THE WRATH OF GOD UPON THE CHILDREN OF DISOBEDIENCE.**

- **Fornication:** "is the sin which is committed between single or unmarried persons."
- **Uncleanness:** "takes in adultery, incest, sodomy, and every unnatural lust."
- **Covetousness:** "an immoderate desire after worldly things, as a greedy and insatiable appetite after the above lusts."
- **Filthiness:** "all filthy gestures and behavior, every indecent habit and attire, and all actions which have a tendency to excite lust; and also all impure words, these discover an impure heart, and are the means of corrupting men's minds and manners."
- **Foolish Talking:** "may include all impure songs and books, and the reading or hearing of them.". "foolish talking" does not so much design every imprudent thing that is said, as that which is wicked, corrupt, unsavory, light, vain, idle, and unprofitable; and takes in all fabulous stories, and mimicking of fools in words and gestures."
- **Jesting:** "when it is with wantonness, and excites unto it, and is inconsistent with truth, and when the Scriptures are abused by it, and not our neighbor's edification, but hurt."
- **Whoremonger / Unclean Person:** "anyone that is guilty of fornication, adultery, incest, etc."
- **Covetous Man / Idolater:** "as every man is, that indulges his lusts, the idols of his own heart; and who serves divers lusts and pleasures, and gives up himself to work all uncleanness with greediness; never having his fill of sin, but is ever craving and coveting it; as well as he who is immoderately desirous of worldly things: the covetous man may be called an idolater, because the idolater and he worship the same in substance, gold and silver, and brass, or what is made of them; the covetous man admires his gold, lays it up, and will not make use of it, as if it was something sacred; and through his over love to mammon, whom he serves, he neglects the worship of God, and the good of his own soul, and puts his trust and confidence in his riches: now no such person." *John Gill's Exposition of the Entire Bible—Ephesians 5:3-6.*

The Unrighteous Shall Not Inherit The Kingdom of God.

1 Corinthians 6:9-10. Know ye not that **THE UNRIGHTEOUS SHALL NOT INHERIT THE KINGDOM OF GOD?** *Be not deceived:* neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, **SHALL INHERIT THE KINGDOM OF GOD.**

- **Fornicators:** “such as are guilty of uncleanness with persons in a single state.”
- **Idolaters:** “who worship more gods than one, and not the true God; who do service to them that are not gods: and not only fall down to stocks and stones, but serve divers lusts and pleasures, the idols of their own hearts.”
- **Adulterers:** “such as have criminal conversation with persons in a married state.”
- **Effeminate:** “a catamite (A boy kept for unnatural purposes.):—effeminate, soft.”
- **Abusers of Themselves With Mankind:** “sodomites.”
- **Thieves:** “Who take away another man's property, secret or openly, by fraud or force.”
- **Covetous:** “insatiable, in the lust of uncleanness; or greedy of worldly gain, bent upon increasing their substance at any rate, by circumvention, fraud, and deceit; and do not use the things of this life as they should, for their own good, and that of others.”
- **Drunkards:** “who are strong to drink strong liquors; who give up themselves thereunto: who sit down on purpose to intoxicate themselves, and are frequent in the commission of this sin.”
- **Revilers:** “who are free with other men's characters, load them with reproaches, and take away their good names; either openly or secretly, either by tale bearing, whispering, and backbiting, or by raising and spreading scandalous reports in a public manner.”
- **Extortioners:** “ravishers of virgins; or plunderers of men's substance in an open and forcible way; or who extort unlawful gain.” *John Gill's Exposition of the Entire Bible — 1 Corinthians 6:9-10.*

Such Shall Not Inherit the Kingdom of God.

Galatians 5:19-21. Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that **THEY WHICH DO SUCH THINGS SHALL NOT INHERIT THE KINGDOM OF GOD.**

- **Adultery:** "it is a defilement of the marriage bed, and is the sin of uncleanness committed by two persons, one of which at least is in a married state, is condemned by the law of God and light of nature."
- **Fornication:** "which though by many of the Gentiles was reckoned no sin, or a very small one, stands here among the works of the flesh, that are manifest and to be avoided; it is the sin of uncleanness committed by persons in a single state."
- **Uncleanness:** "it is a general name for all unchastity, in thought, word, or action; and may here design more especially all unnatural lusts, as sodomy."
- **Lasciviousness:** "or wantonness, all lustful dalliance, everything that leads on to acts of uncleanness, or attends them, as impure words, filthy gestures, and the like."
- **Idolatry:** "Which some understand of covetousness, which is so called; but rather it means the worshipping of other gods, or of graven images."
- **Witchcraft:** "any real or pretended league and association with the devil, seeking to converse with familiar spirits, to gain unlawful knowledge, or to do hurt to fellow creatures; which, as it is doing honour to Satan, detracts from the glory of God, and rightly follows idolatry; conjuration, soothsaying, necromancy, and all kind of magic are included and condemned hereby."
- **Hatred:** "internal hatred of any man's person, even of our very enemies, is forbidden; in the original text it is "enmities": as the carnal mind is nothing else but enmity against God and Christ, against law and Gospel, and all good men, and everything that is good."
- **Variance:** "or "contentions"; fighting and quarrelling, by words scandalous and reproachful, what we commonly call scolding."
- **Emulations:** "or "zeals"; not good, but bad: a boiling and rising up of the spirits and passions, at the honour and happiness of another."
- **Wrath:** "or "wraths" violent emotions of the mind, moving to revenge, and seeking the hurt and mischief of others."
- **Strife:** "or "strifes"; perpetual contradictions and cavilings, either expressed by words, or working in the mind; for this strife may be in a man's heart, according to James 3:14."
- **Seditions:** "or "divisions": schisms and factions, dissensions in things domestic, civil, and religious."
- **Heresies:** "bad principles and tenets, relating to doctrine, which are subversive of the fundamentals of the Gospel and the Christian religion; and are the produce of a man's own invention, and the matter of his choice, without any foundation in the word of God; and these are works of the flesh, for they spring from a corrupt and carnal mind, and are propagated with carnal views, as popular applause, worldly advantage, and indulging the lusts of the flesh."
- **Envyings:** "Uneasy distressing tortures of the mind, grieving at the good of others, that any should be in an equal, or in a better condition than themselves."
- **Murders:** "destroying of men's lives, which is often the consequence of the above evils."
- **Drunkenness:** "excess in drinking of wine or strong drink, whereby the stomach is overcharged, the mind is intoxicated, and the body enfeebled and unable to perform its office; this is often the source of many, or all of the works of the flesh before mentioned."
- **Revellings:** "excess in feed, nocturnal riotings in eating, drinking, dancing, singing, chambering and wantonness." *John Gill's Exposition of the Entire Bible—Galatians 5:19-21.*

By Nature The Children of Wrath.

Ephesians 2:2-3. Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in **THE CHILDREN OF DISOBEDIENCE**: Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature **THE CHILDREN OF WRATH**, even as others.

Shall Have Their Part In The Lake of Fire.

Revelation 21:8. But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, **SHALL HAVE THEIR PART IN THE LAKE WHICH BURNETH WITH FIRE AND BRIMSTONE**: which is the second death.

- **Fearful:** "Not the timorous sheep and lambs of Christ, the dear children of God, who are sometimes of a fearful heart, on account of sin, temptation, and unbelief; but such who are of cowardly spirits, and are not valiant for the truth, but who, through fear of men, either make no profession of Christ and his Gospel, or having made it, drop it, lest they should be exposed to tribulation and persecution; these are they that are afraid of the beast, and live in servile bondage to him."
- **Unbelieving:** "meaning not merely atheists, who do not believe there is a God, or deists only, that do not believe in Christ; but such who profess his name, and are called by it, and yet do not truly believe in him, nor embrace his Gospel and the truths of it, but believe a lie; these are condemned already, and on them the wrath of God abides, and they will be damned at last; though it may have a regard to such also who are infidels as to the second coming of Christ to judgment, and who are scoffers and mockers at it."
- **Abominable:** "every sinful man is so in the sight of God; but here it denotes such who are the worst of sinners, given up to sinning; who are abominable, and to every good work"
- **Reprobate;** who are addicted to the worst of crimes, as were the Sodomites and others; the Ethiopic version renders it, "who pollute themselves" with unnatural lusts. The Syriac and Arabic versions express it by two words, "sinners and polluted", filthy sinners; the character well agrees with Babylon, the mother of harlots and abominations of the earth, and to all that adhere to her, and join with her in her abominable idolatries."
- **Murderers:** "of the saints, and prophets, and martyrs of Jesus, with whose blood Babylon, or the whore of Rome, has made herself drunk, and in whom it will be found."
- **Whoremongers:** "all unclean persons, that indulge themselves in impure lusts, in fornication, adultery, and all lewdness; as the clergy of the church of Rome, who being forbidden to marry, and being under a vow of celibacy, and making great pretensions to chastity and singular holiness, give up themselves to all lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness."
- **Sorcerers:** "conjurers, dealers with familiar spirits, necromancers, and such as use the magic art, as many of the popes did to get into the chair, and poisoners of kings and princes; whoredoms and witchcrafts go together sometimes, as they did in Jezebel, an emblem of the Romish Antichrist."
- **Idolaters:** "that worship devils, idols of gold, silver, brass, stone, and wood, representing God, and Christ, and the virgin Mary, and saints departed, Revelation 9:20."
- **Liars:** "in common, and particularly such who speak lies in hypocrisy, as the followers of the man of sin, and who are given up to believe a lie, that they might be damned; all lies being of the devil, and abominable to God." *John Gill's Exposition of the Entire Bible—Revelation 21:8.*

For Without Are.

Revelation 22:15. FOR WITHOUT ARE dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

- **Dogs:** "That is, without the holy city are such persons who are comparable to dogs for their filthiness, impudence, and voraciousness, as are persecutors, heretics, and apostates, Matthew 7:6. Some think Sodomites are intended, as in Deuteronomy 23:18."
- **Sorcerers, Whoremongers, Murderers, Idolaters:** "characters of the antichristian party, who will have no place in this city, or glorious kingdom of Christ."
- **Whosoever Loveth And Maketh A Lie:** "who loves both to invent and tell lies, and loves to hear them told by others; meaning more especially the doctrinal lies of antichrist, which are spoken in hypocrisy by him, and his followers are given up to believe." *John Gill's Exposition of the Entire Bible—Revelation 22:15.*

The Wrath of God On The Children of Disobedience.

Colossians 3:5-6. Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry: **FOR WHICH THINGS' SAKE THE WRATH OF GOD COMETH ON THE CHILDREN OF DISOBEDIENCE:**

- **Fornication:** "the sin of uncleanness committed by single persons, or out of the state of marriage, and which the Gentiles did not account sinful."
- **Uncleanness:** "of every sort, all other impure actions, as adultery, incest, sodomy, and every other unnatural lust."
- **Inordinate Affection:** "which may intend the passions, and operate by the members of the body, and bring forth fruit unto death, those who are effeminate, and abusers of themselves with mankind."
- **Evil Concupiscence:** "so called to distinguish it from that natural concupiscence, or desire after things lawful and necessary, and which is implanted in nature by God himself. It is the same with "the evil imagination", or corruption of nature so much spoken of by the Jews. This here is what is forbidden by that law, "thou shalt not covet", Exodus 20:17; and includes every fleshly lust and inordinate desire, or every desire after that which is not lawful, or does not belong to a man; as what is another's property, his wife, or goods, or anything that is his; and so very naturally follows."
- **Covetousness:** "an immoderate love of money, the root of all evil, an insatiable desire of having more, and of having more than a man's own; and is enlarged as hell, and as death is not satisfied, but still craves more, without making any good use of what is possessed."
- **Idolatry:** "The covetous man, and the idolater, worship the same for matter and substance, even gold and silver; the covetous man lays up his money, makes no use of it, as if it was something sacred; he looks at it, and adores it, and puts his trust and confidence in it, and his heart is so much set upon it, that he neglects the worship of the true God; and indeed no man can serve God and mammon" *John Gill's Exposition of the Entire Bible—Colossians 3:5-6.*

They Which Commit Such Things Are Worthy of Death

Romans 1:28-32. And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient; Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful: Who **KNOWING THE JUDGMENT OF GOD, THAT THEY WHICH COMMIT SUCH THINGS ARE WORTHY OF DEATH**, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.

- **Fornication:** "which sometimes includes adultery and an unchastity; simple fornication was not reckoned a sin among the Gentiles."
- **Wickedness:** "or mischief, which intends not so much the internal wickedness of the heart, as that particular vice, by which a man is inclined and studies to do hurt, to others, as Satan does."
- **Covetousness:** "this may intend every insatiable lust, and particularly the sin which goes by this name, and is the root of all evil, and was a reigning sin among the Gentiles. Seneca, the famous moralist, was notoriously guilty of this vice, being one of the greatest usurers that ever lived."
- **Maliciousness:** "the word denotes either the iniquity of nature in which men are conceived and born; or that desire of revenge in men, for which some are very notorious."
- **Full of Envy:** "at the superior knowledge and learning, wealth and riches, happiness, and outward prosperity of others."
- **Murder:** "which sometimes arose from envy, wherefore they are put together."
- **Debate:** "strife about words more than things, and more for vain glory, and a desire of victory, than for truth."
- **Deceit:** "through their empty notions of philosophy; hence "philosophy and vain deceit" go together, making large pretenses to morality, when they were the vilest of creatures."
- **Malignity:** "moroseness; having no courteousness nor affability in them, guilty of very ill manners; as particularly they were who were of the sect of the Cynics. Now they are said to be "filled with", and "full of", these things; not filled by God, but by Satan and themselves; and it denotes the aboundings of wickedness in them, and which was insatiable."
- **Whisperers:** "who made mischief among friends, by privately suggesting, and secretly insinuating things into the mind of one to the prejudice of another."
- **Backbiters:** "who more publicly defamed the characters of their neighbors, and hurt their good name, credit and reputation, though behind their backs."
- **Haters of God:** "this expresses their sin, that they were deniers of the being and providence of God, and showed themselves to be enemies to him by their evil works."
- **Despiteful:** "both by opprobrious words, and injurious actions."
- **Proud:** "of their natural knowledge, learning, eloquence and vain philosophy."
- **Boasters:** "of their parts, abilities, wisdom and works; all which they attributed to themselves, and to the sharpness of their wit, their sagacity and industry."
- **Inventors of Evil Things:** "of evil schemes of morality and philosophy, and of evil practices, as well as principles."
- **Disobedient To Parents:** "which was acting contrary to the light of nature."
- **Without Understanding:** "of God, of his nature and worship, of things divine and even moral, being given up to a reprobate mind."
- **Covenantbreakers:** "had no regard to private or public contracts."
- **Without Natural Affection:** "to their parents, children, relations and friends."
- **Implacable:** "when once offended there was no reconciling of them."
- **Unmerciful:** "had no pity and compassion to persons in distress." *John Gill's Exposition of the Entire Bible—Romans 1:28-32.*

The Law Is Not Made For The Lawless

1 Timothy 1:9-10. Knowing this, that **THE LAW IS NOT MADE FOR A RIGHTEOUS MAN, BUT FOR THE LAWLESS AND DISOBEDIENT**, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers, For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine;

- **Lawless:** "by the "lawless" are meant, not the Gentiles, which were without the written law, but such who have it, and despise and reject it, and live not according to it, but transgress it."
- **Disobedient:** "such who are not subject to it: who are sons of Belial, children without the yoke; who cast the law of the Lord behind their backs; who are not, nor can they be subject to it, without the powerful and efficacious grace of God. Now the law lies upon, and against such persons, as an accusing, terrifying, cursing, and condemning law."
- **Ungodly:** "by the "ungodly" are intended, such as are without God in the world, who neither fear God, nor regard man, who neglect and despise the worship of God, and say to him, depart from us, Job 21:14."
- **Sinners:** "notorious ones, who are exceeding great sinners, always sinning, making sin their constant business and employment; on and against these the law lies."
- **Unholy:** "such are unholy persons, who are destitute of inward principles of truth and holiness, and who live unholy lives and conversations."
- **Profane:** "those who profane the name of the Lord by cursing and swearing, and who profane doctrines, and ordinances, and live dissolute and profane lives, being abandoned to all sin and wickedness."
- **Murderers of Fathers:** "a breach both of the fifth and sixth commands; cursing parents, and disobedience to them, were punishable by the law with death."
- **Murderers of Mothers:** "the words will bear to be rendered, "for strikers of fathers, and strikers of mothers"; and so the Syriac and Arabic versions render them, and against this there was an express law, Exodus 21:15."
- **Manslayers:** "guilty of the murder of any man, which was always punishable with death, and was a breach of the sixth command."
- **Whoremongers:** "Fornicators and adulterers, who were transgressors of the seventh command, Exodus 20:14 these God will judge, and such shall have their portion in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone."
- **Them That Defile Themselves With Mankind:** "who are guilty of sodomy; such, according to the law, were to die, Leviticus 18:22 the wrath of God was revealed from heaven in a very visible and remarkable manner against this abomination, by raining fire and brimstone upon Sodom and Gomorrah, and upon the cities of the plain, who defiled themselves in this way."
- **Menstealers:** "who decoyed servants or free men, and stole them away, and sold them for slaves."
- **Liars:** "who speak what is false, against their own knowledge and conscience, and with a design to deceive; who lie against their neighbors, and act falsely and deceitfully in trade and merchandise, as well as speak that which is not true; see Leviticus 6:2."
- **Perjured Persons:** "who take a false oath on any account, and bear false witness against their neighbor. Now upon, and against all, and each of these, the law lies, as an accusing, threatening, and cursing law." *John Gill's Exposition of the Entire Bible—1 Timothy 1:9-10.*

Such Were Some of You

1 Corinthians 6:11 And **SUCH WERE SOME OF YOU**: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

1 Corinthians 12:2 *Ye know that ye were Gentiles, carried away unto these dumb idols, even as ye were led.*

Titus 3:3-6 *For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another. 4* But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared, **5** *Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; 6* Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour;

1 Peter 4:2-3 That he no longer should live the rest of *his* time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God. **3** *For the time past of our life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banquetings, and abominable idolatries:*

Romans 6:17-19 But God be thanked, that *ye were the servants of sin*, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. **18** Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness. **19** I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh: for *as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity unto iniquity*; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness.

Ephesians 2:1-3 ¶ And you *hath he quickened*, who were dead in trespasses and sins; **2** *Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience: 3* Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.

If Any Man Sin, We Have An Advocate With The Father

1 John 2:1-2 My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And **IF ANY MAN SIN, WE HAVE AN ADVOCATE WITH THE FATHER, JESUS CHRIST** the righteous: And He is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

The Blood of Jesus Christ His Son Cleanseth Us From All Sin

1 John 1:7. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and **THE BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST HIS SON CLEANSETH US FROM ALL SIN.**

False Prophets Teach Another Gospel

Matthew 7:15-20 ¶ Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. **Ye shall know them by their fruits.** Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither *can* a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.

*Note: Contrary to popular opinion, **fruits are not good or evil deeds.** Evidence of this fact is that the Pharisees' outward works were perfect according to the law. **Fruits & leaven represent the prophets' doctrines,** whether they teach another Jesus, and another gospel. False prophets tamper with the finished atonement of Jesus' death on the Cross, and teach righteousness by our good deeds, instead of faith in Jesus sinless obedience i.e. faith in Christ's righteousness alone.*

Matthew 16:12 Then understood they how that he bade *them* not beware of the leaven of bread, **but of the doctrine** of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.

Matthew 15:13-14 But he answered and said, **Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up. Let them alone: they be blind leaders of the blind. And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall into the ditch.**

Again, **plants, fruits & leaven represent doctrines.** The plant / doctrines that our heavenly Father have planted, are "The Essential Christian Doctrines:"

1. God Is Love	9. The Necessity of God's Grace
2. God's Unity	10. The Necessity of Faith
3. God's Tri-unity	11. Christ's Atoning Death
4. Human Depravity	12. Christ's Bodily Resurrection
5. Christ's Virgin Birth	13. Christ's Bodily Ascension
6. Christ's Sinlessness	14. Christ's Intercession
7. Christ's Deity	15. Christ's Second Coming
8. Christ's Humanity	16. Love One Another

Try The Spirits Whether They Are of God

1 John 4:1 ¶ *Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.*

Question 1.

Q. Do Christians need to obey everything Christ commanded? Will any who call Jesus "Lord," that refuse to obey Christ enter the kingdom of God?

A. Jesus said, **"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen."** (Matthew 28:19-20).

Question 2.

Q. Will any that refuses to give clothes to him that are naked, meat to him that is hungry, and refuse to visit the sick and those in prison be saved? Will Christians that have this world's good, that sees a brother have need, and shut up their bowels *of compassion* from him, enter the kingdom of God? (1 John 3:17). Based on the plea that salvation is, **"Not of works, lest any man should boast?"** Does grace and faith free us from following Christ?

A. Paul said, **"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast."** (Ephesians 2:8-9).

Question 3.

Q. Are repentant believers in Christ that get Baptized (immersed by water), born of water and of the Spirit? Will those that are able, who refuse to be Baptized (immersed by water), and be born of water and of the Spirit, enter the kingdom of God? Is Baptism necessary? Does grace and faith free us from following Christ's commandment to be Baptized? Based on the plea that salvation is, **"Not of works, lest any man should boast?"**

A. Jesus said, **"Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God."** (John 3:5).

Question 4.

Q. Do Christians need to obey everything Paul and the other Apostles commanded? Will those who refuse to obey the commandments of the Lord given by Paul and the other Apostles, enter the kingdom of God? Based on the plea that salvation is, **"Not of works, lest any man should boast?"**

A. Paul said, **"the things that I write unto you are the commandments of the Lord."**

False Gospels, & Doctrines of Devils Cannot Save

False Doctrines

Destructive to Faith.

2 Timothy 2:18 Who concerning the truth have erred, saying that the resurrection is past already; and overthrow the Faith of some.

Hateful to God.

Revelation 2:14-15 But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication. So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate.

Unprofitable and vain.

Titus 3:9 But avoid foolish questions, and genealogies, and contentions, and strivings about The Law; for they are unprofitable and vain.

Hebrews 13:9 Be not carried about with Divers and strange doctrines. For it is a good thing that the heart be established with grace; not with meats, which have not profited them that have been occupied therein.

SHOULD BE AVOIDED BY

Ministers.

1 Timothy 1:4 Neither give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which minister questions, rather than godly edifying which is in Faith: so do.

1 Timothy 6:20 O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of science falsely so called:

Saints.

Ephesians 4:14 That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;

Colossians 2:8 Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the Tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.

All men.

Jeremiah 23:16 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Hearken not unto the words of the Prophets that prophesy unto you: they make you vain: they speak a vision of their own heart, and not out of the mouth of the LORD.

Jeremiah 29:8 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Let not your Prophets and your diviners, that be in the midst of you, deceive you, neither hearken to your dreams which ye cause to be dreamed.

The wicked love.

2 Timothy 4:3-4 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves Teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.

The wicked given up to believe.

2 Thessalonians 2:11 And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:

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Not to be countenanced.

2 John 10 If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed:

Should be avoided.

Romans 16:17-18 Now I Beseech you, Brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them. For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple.

Bring reproach on religion.

2 Peter 2:2 And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.

Speak perverse things.

Acts 20:30 Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them.

Attract many.

2 Peter 2:2 And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.

Deceive many.

Matthew 24:5

Shall abound in the latter days.

1 Timothy 4:1 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the Faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;

Pervert the Gospel of Christ.

Galatians 1:6-7 I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another Gospel: 7 Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the Gospel of Christ.

Shall be exposed.

2 Timothy 3:9 But they shall proceed no further: for their folly shall be manifest unto all men, as theirs also was.

TEACHERS OF, ARE DESCRIBED AS

Cruel.

Acts 20:29 For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock.

Deceitful.

2 Corinthians 11:13 For such are false Apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the Apostles of Christ.

Covetous.

Titus 1:11 Whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole houses, teaching things which they ought not, for filthy lucre's sake.

2 Peter 2:3 And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose Judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not.

Ungodly.

Jude 4 For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.

Jude 8 Likewise also these filthy dreamers defile the flesh, despise dominion, and speak evil of dignities.

Proud and ignorant.

1 Timothy 6:3-4 If any man Teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which is according to godliness; He is proud, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings,

Corrupt and reprobate.

2 Timothy 3:8 Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the Faith.

Try, by Scripture.

Isaiah 8:20 To The Law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no Light in them.

1 John 4:1 Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many False Prophets are gone out into the world.

Curse on those who Teach.

Galatians 1:8-9 But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other Gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other Gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.

Punishment on those who Teach.

Micah 3:6-7 Therefore night shall be unto you, that ye shall not have a vision; and it shall be dark unto you, that ye shall not divine; and the sun shall go down over the Prophets, and the day shall be dark over them. Then shall the seers be ashamed, and the diviners confounded: yea, they shall all cover their lips; for there is no answer of God.

2 Peter 2:1 But there were False Prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false Teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.

2 Peter 2:3 And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose Judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not.

Hebrews 6 & 10 “Impossible, to renew them again unto repentance.”

Understanding the Historical Background and Context

Hebrews was written before the destruction of the Temple and Jerusalem in 70 AD. Galatians and Hebrews are epistles warning Christians against going back to the law of Moses, and the Temple services in Jerusalem in an attempt to make atonement with Jehovah God. Hebrews goes into incredible detail contrasting the earthly temple, its high priest, and the animal sacrifices with that of the heavenly temple, our heavenly High Priest, and the one time sacrifice of Jesus Christ.

Each of the warning passages we will discuss in this chapter were written with this context in mind, dealing with Jewish converts to Christianity, who after believing in Christ fell away, back into the religion of the Jews. It is an apostasy to return to the earthly temple, its high priest, and the animal sacrifices to make atonement with Jehovah God.

The New Testament gives its strongest warnings against those who return to the religion of the Jews. It's important to remember that Hebrews was written during times when the early church experienced pressure from the Jews to return to following the law of Moses and to the Temple services in Jerusalem.

“Impossible, to renew them again unto repentance”

Hebrews 6:4-6 For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put *him* to an open shame.

Hebrews 10:26-31 For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins, But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries. He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses: Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace? For we know him that hath said, Vengeance *belongeth* unto me, I will recompense, saith the Lord. And again, The Lord shall judge his people. *It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.*

Hebrews 10:38-39 Now the just shall live by faith: but if *any man* draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.

Let him be accursed

Galatians 1:6-9 ¶ I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel: Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ. But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, If any *man* preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.

If righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain

Galatians 2:21 I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness *come* by the law, then Christ is dead in vain.

Christ shall profit you nothing

Galatians 5:2 Behold, I Paul say unto you, that if ye be circumcised, **Christ shall profit you nothing.**

Christ is become of no effect unto you

Galatians 5:4 Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace.

Ye are fallen from grace

Galatians 5:4 Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; **ye are fallen from grace.**

Israel, hath not attained to the law of righteousness.

Romans 9:31-32 But Israel, which followed after the law of righteousness, hath not attained to the law of righteousness. Wherefore? Because *they sought it* not by faith, but as it were by the works of the law. For they stumbled at that stumblingstone;

Israel, going about to establish their own righteousness

Romans 10:3-5 For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. For Christ *is* the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth. For Moses describeth the righteousness which is of the law, That the man which doeth those things shall live by them.

Let no man beguile you of your reward

Colossians 2:13-23 ¶ And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, **having forgiven you all trespasses; Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross;** And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it. ¶ **Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath days: Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body is of Christ. Let no man beguile you of your reward** in a voluntary humility and worshipping of angels, intruding into those things which he hath not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind, And not holding the Head, from which all the body by joints and bands having nourishment ministered, and knit together, increaseth with the increase of God. **Wherefore if ye be dead with Christ from the rudiments of the world, why, as though living in the world, are ye subject to ordinances, (Touch not; taste not; handle not; Which all are to perish with the using;) after the commandments and doctrines of men? Which things have indeed a shew of wisdom in will worship, and humility, and neglecting of the body; not in any honour to the satisfying of the flesh.**

Ye were not redeemed with corruptible things

1 Peter 1:18-19 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, *as* silver and gold, from your vain conversation *received* by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent

Revelation 2:5 Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.

It had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness

2 Peter 2:20-22 For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning. For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known *it*, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them. But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog *is* turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.

2 Peter 3:17-18 Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know *these things* before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own stedfastness. But grow in grace, and *in* the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him *be* glory both now and for ever. Amen.

Backsliding Ends in Destruction, If Not Repented Of

Is turning from God.

1 Kings 11:9 And the LORD was angry with Solomon, because his heart was turned from the LORD God of Israel, which had appeared unto him twice,

Is leaving the first love.

Revelation 2:4 Nevertheless I have *somewhat* against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.

Is departing from the simplicity of the Gospel.

2 Corinthians 11:3 But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.

Galatians 3:1-3 O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you? 2 This only would I learn of you, Received ye the Spirit by the works of The Law, or by the hearing of Faith? 3 Are ye so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are ye now made perfect by the flesh?

Galatians 5:4 Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by The Law; ye are fallen from grace.

Galatians 5:7 Ye did run well; who did hinder you that ye should not obey the truth?

God is displeased at.

Psalms 78:57 But turned back, and dealt unfaithfully like their Fathers: they were turned aside like a deceitful bow.

Psalms 78:59 When God heard this, he was wroth, and greatly abhorred Israel:

Warnings against.

Psalms 85:8 I will hear what God the LORD will speak: for he will speak peace unto his people, and to his Saints: but let them not turn again to folly.

1 Corinthians 10:12 Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.

Guilt and consequences of.

Numbers 14:43 For the Amalekites and the Canaanites are there before you, and ye shall fall by the sword: because ye are turned away from the LORD, therefore the LORD will not be with you.

Psalms 125:5 As for such as turn aside unto their crooked ways, the LORD shall lead them forth with the workers of iniquity: but peace shall be upon Israel.

Isaiah 59:2 But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your Sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear.

Isaiah 59:9-11 Therefore is Judgment far from us, neither doth justice overtake us: we wait for Light, but behold obscurity; for brightness, but we walk in darkness. 10 We grope for the wall like the blind, and we grope as if we had no eyes: we stumble at noonday as in the night; we are in desolate places as Dead men. 11 We roar all like bears, and mourn sore like doves: we look for Judgment, but there is none; for Salvation, but it is far off from us.

Jeremiah 5:6 Wherefore a lion out of the forest shall slay them, and a wolf of the evenings shall spoil them, a leopard shall watch over their cities: every one that goeth out thence shall be torn in pieces: because their transgressions are many, and their backslidings are increased.

Jeremiah 8:5 Why then is this people of Jerusalem slidden back by a perpetual backsliding? they hold fast deceit, they refuse to return.

Jeremiah 15:6 Thou hast forsaken me, saith the LORD, thou Art gone backward: therefore will I stretch out my hand against thee, and destroy thee; I am weary with repenting.

Luke 9:62 And Jesus said unto him, **No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.**

Brings its own punishment.

Proverbs 14:14 The backslider in heart shall be filled with his own ways: and a good man shall be satisfied from himself.

Jeremiah 2:19 Thine own wickedness shall correct thee, and thy backslidings shall reprove thee: know therefore and see that it is an evil thing and bitter, that thou hast forsaken the LORD thy God, and that my fear is not in thee, saith the Lord GOD of hosts.

A haughty spirit leads to.

Proverbs 16:18 Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall.

Proneness too.

Proverbs 24:16 For a just man falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief.

Hosea 11:7 And my people are bent to backsliding from me: though they called them to the most High, none at all would exalt him.

Liable to continue and increase.

Jeremiah 8:5 Why then is this people of Jerusalem slidden back by a perpetual backsliding? they hold fast deceit, they refuse to return.

Jeremiah 14:7 O LORD, though our iniquities testify against us, do thou it for thy name's sake: for our backslidings are many; we have Sinned against thee.

Exhortations to return from.

2 Chronicles 30:6 So the posts went with the letters from the king and his Princes throughout all Israel and Judah, and according to the commandment of the king, saying, Ye children of Israel, turn again unto the LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, and he will return to the remnant of you, that are escaped out of the hand of the kings of Assyria.

Isaiah 31:6 Turn ye unto him from whom the children of Israel have deeply revolted.

Jeremiah 3:12 Go and proclaim these words toward the north, and say, Return, thou backsliding Israel, saith the LORD; and I will not cause mine Anger to fall upon you: for I am merciful, saith the LORD, and I will not keep Anger for ever.

Jeremiah 3:14 Turn, O backsliding children, saith the LORD; for I am married unto you: and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion:

Jeremiah 3:22 Return, ye backsliding children, and I will heal your backslidings. Behold, we come unto thee; for thou Art the LORD our God.

Pray to be restored from.

Psalms 80:3 Turn us again, O God, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved.

Psalms 85:4 Turn us, O God of our Salvation, and cause thine Anger toward us to cease.

Lamentations 5:21 Turn thou us unto thee, O LORD, and we shall be turned; renew our days as of old.

Punishment of tempting others to the Sin of.

Proverbs 28:10 Whoso causeth the Righteous to go astray in an evil way, he shall fall himself into his own pit: but the upright shall have good things in possession.

Matthew 18:6 But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and *that* he were drowned in the depth of the sea.

Not hopeless.

Psalms 37:24 Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the LORD upholdeth him with his hand.

Proverbs 24:16 For a just man falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief.

Endeavor to bring back those guilty of.

Galatians 6:1 Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted.

James 5:19-20 Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him; 20 Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from Death, and shall hide a multitude of Sins.

Sin of, to be confessed.

Isaiah 59:12-14 For our transgressions are multiplied before thee, and our Sins testify against us: for our transgressions are with us; and as for our iniquities, we know them; 13 In transgressing and lying against the LORD, and departing away from our God, speaking oppression and revolt, conceiving and uttering from the heart words of falsehood. 14 And Judgment is turned away backward, and justice standeth afar off: for truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter.

Jeremiah 3:13 Only acknowledge thine iniquity, that thou hast transgressed against the LORD thy God, and hast scattered thy ways to the strangers under every green tree, and ye have not obeyed my voice, saith the LORD.

Jeremiah 14:7-9 O LORD, though our iniquities testify against us, do thou it for thy name's sake: for our backslidings are many; we have Sinned against thee. 8 O the hope of Israel, the saviour thereof in time of trouble, why shouldest thou be as a stranger in the land, and as a wayfaring man that turneth aside to tarry for a night? 9 Why shouldest thou be as a man Astonied, as a mighty man that cannot save? yet thou, O LORD, Art in the midst of us, and we are called by thy name; leave us not.

Pardon of, promised.

2 Chronicles 7:14 If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their Sin, and will heal their land.

Jeremiah 3:12 Go and proclaim these words toward the north, and say, Return, thou backsliding Israel, saith the LORD; and I will not cause mine Anger to fall upon you: for I am merciful, saith the LORD, and I will not keep Anger for ever.

Jeremiah 31:20 Is Ephraim my dear son? is he a pleasant child? for since I spake against him, I do earnestly remember him still: therefore my Bowels are troubled for him; I will surely have mercy upon him, saith the LORD.

Jeremiah 36:3 It may be that the house of Judah will hear all the evil which I purpose to do unto them; that they may return every man from his evil way; that I may forgive their iniquity and their Sin.

Healing of, promised.

Jeremiah 3:22 Return, ye backsliding children, and I will heal your backslidings. Behold, we come unto thee; for thou Art the LORD our God.

Hosea 14:4 I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely: for mine Anger is turned away from him.

Afflictions sent to heal.

Hosea 5:15 I will go and return to my place, till they acknowledge their offence, and seek my face: in their Affliction they will seek me early.

Blessedness of those who keep from.

Proverbs 28:14 Happy is the man that feareth alway: but he that hardeneth his heart shall fall into mischief.

Isaiah 26:3-4 Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee. 4 Trust ye in the LORD for ever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH is everlasting strength:

Hateful to Saints.

Psalms 101:3 I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes: I hate the work of them that turn aside; it shall not Cleave to me.

Exemplified.

Israel,

Exodus 32:8 They have turned aside quickly out of the way which I commanded them: they have made them a molten calf, and have worshipped it, and have sacrificed thereunto, and said, These be thy gods, O Israel, which have brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.

Nehemiah 9:26 Nevertheless they were disobedient, and rebelled against thee, and cast thy law behind their backs, and slew thy Prophets which testified against them to turn them to thee, and they wrought great provocations.

Jeremiah 3:11 And the LORD said unto me, The backsliding Israel hath justified herself more than treacherous Judah.

Hosea 4:16 For Israel slideth back as a backsliding heifer: now the LORD will feed them as a lamb in a large place.

Saul,

1 Samuel 15:11 It repenteth me that I have set up Saul to be king: for he is turned back from following me, and hath not performed my commandments. And it grieved Samuel; and he cried unto the LORD all night.

Solomon,

1 Kings 11:3-4 And he had seven hundred wives, [Princess]es, and three hundred concubines: and his wives turned away his heart. 4 For it came to pass, when Solomon was old, that his wives turned away his heart after other gods: and his heart was not perfect with the LORD his God, as was the heart of David his Father.

Peter,

Matthew 26:70-74 But he denied before them all, saying, I know not what thou sayest. 71 And when he was gone out into the porch, another maid saw him, and said unto them that were there, This fellow was also with Jesus of Nazareth. 72 And again he denied with an Oath, I do not know the man. 73 And after a while came unto him they that stood by, and said to Peter, Surely thou also Art one of them; for thy speech bewrayeth thee. ...

Ignorance of God Ends in Destruction, If Not Repented Of

Ignorance of Christ is.

John 8:19 Then said they unto him, Where is thy Father? Jesus answered, **Ye neither know me, nor my Father: if ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also.**

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Want of love.

1 John 4:8 He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

Not keeping His commands.

1 John 2:4 He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

Living in Sin.

Titus 1:16 They profess that they know God; but in works they deny him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate.

1 John 3:6 Whosoever abideth in him Sinneth not: whosoever Sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him.

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Error.

Matthew 22:29 Jesus answered and said unto them, **Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God.**

Idolatry.

Isaiah 44:19 And none considereth in his heart, neither is there knowledge nor understanding to say, I have burned part of it in the fire; yea, also I have baked bread upon the coals thereof; I have roasted flesh, and eaten it: and shall I make the residue thereof an Abomination? shall I fall down to the stock of a tree?

Acts 17:29-30 Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by Art and man's device. And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:

Alienation from God.

Ephesians 4:18 Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:

Sinful lusts.

1 Thessalonians 4:5 Not in the lust of Concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God:

1 Peter 1:14 As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance:

Persecuting Saints.

John 15:21 But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not him that sent me.

John 16:3 And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father, nor me.

Is no excuse for Sin.

Leviticus 4:2 Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, If a soul shall Sin through ignorance against any of the commandments of the LORD concerning things which ought not to be done, and shall do against any of them:

Luke 12:48 But he that knew not, and did commit things worthy of stripes, shall be beaten with few stripes. For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required: and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more.

The wicked, in a state of.

Jeremiah 9:3 And they bend their Tongues like their bow for lies: but they are not valiant for the truth upon the earth; for they proceed from evil to evil, and they know not me, saith the LORD.

John 15:21 But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not him that sent me.

John 17:25 O righteous Father, the world hath not known thee: but I have known thee, and these have known that thou hast sent me.

Acts 17:30 And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:

The wicked choose.

Job 21:14 Therefore they say unto God, Depart from us; for we desire not the knowledge of thy ways.

Romans 1:28 And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not Convenient;

Punishment of.

Psalms 79:6 Pour out thy wrath upon the heathen that have not known thee, and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon thy name.

2 Thessalonians 1:8 In flaming fire taking Vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:

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Compassionate those in.

Hebrews 5:2 Who can have compassion on the ignorant, and on them that are out of the way; for that he himself also is compassed with infirmity.

2 Timothy 2:24-25 And the Servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to Teach, Patient, In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth;

Labor to remove.

Acts 17:23 For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN GOD. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you.

Exemplified.

Pharaoh,

Exodus 5:2 And Pharaoh said, Who is the LORD, that I should obey his voice to let Israel go? I know not the LORD, neither will I let Israel go.

Israelites,

Psalms 95:10 Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said, It is a people that do err in their heart, and they have not known my ways:

Isaiah 1:3 The ox knoweth his owner, and the Ass his master's crib: but Israel doth not know, my people doth not consider.

False Prophets,

Isaiah 56:10-11 His watchmen are blind: they are all ignorant, they are all dumb dogs, they cannot bark; sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber. Yea, they are greedy dogs which can never have enough, and they are shepherds that cannot understand: they all look to their own way, every one for his gain, from his quarter.

Jews,

Luke 23:34 Then said Jesus, **Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do.** And they parted his raiment, and cast lots.

Nicodemus,

John 3:10 Jesus answered and said unto him, **Art thou a master of Israel, and knowest not these things?**

Gentiles,

Galatians 4:8 Howbeit then, when ye knew not God, ye did service unto them which by nature are no gods.

Paul,

1 Timothy 1:13 Who was before a blasphemer, and a persecutor, and injurious: but I obtained mercy, because I did it ignorantly in unbelief.

Disobedience to God Ends in Destruction, If Not Repented Of

Disobedience to God

Provokes His Anger.

Psalm 78:10 They kept not the covenant of God, and refused to walk in his law;

Psalm 78:40 How oft did they provoke him in the wilderness, and grieve him in the desert!

Forfeits His favor.

1 Samuel 13:14 But now thy kingdom shall not continue: the LORD hath sought him a man after his own heart, and the LORD hath commanded him to be captain over his people, because thou hast not kept that which the LORD commanded thee.

Forfeits His promised blessings.

Joshua 5:6 For the children of Israel walked forty years in the wilderness, till all the people that were men of war, which came out of Egypt, were consumed, because they obeyed not the voice of the LORD: unto whom the LORD sware that he would not shew them the land, which the LORD sware unto their Fathers that he would give us, a land that floweth with milk and honey.

1 Samuel 2:30 Wherefore the LORD God of Israel saith, I said indeed that thy house, and the house of thy Father, should walk before me for ever: but now the LORD saith, Be it far from me; for them that honour me I will honour, and they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed.

Jeremiah 18:10 If it do evil in my sight, that it obey not my voice, then I will repent of the good, wherewith I said I would benefit them.

Brings a curse.

Deuteronomy 11:28 And a curse, if ye will not obey the commandments of the LORD your God, but turn aside out of the way which I command you this day, to go after other gods, which ye have not known.

Deuteronomy 28:15-68 But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee: 16 Cursed shalt thou be in the city, and cursed shalt thou be in the field. Cursed shall be thy basket and thy store. Cursed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy land, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep. ...

A characteristic of the wicked.

Ephesians 2:2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:

Titus 1:16 They profess that they know God; but in works they deny him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate.

Titus 3:3 For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving Divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another.

The wicked persevere in.

Jeremiah 2:21 Yet I had planted thee a noble vine, wholly a right seed: how then Art thou turned into the degenerate plant of a strange vine unto me?

Heinousness of, illustrated.

Jeremiah 35:14-19 The words of Jonadab the son of Rechab, that he commanded his sons not to drink wine, are performed; for unto this day they drink none, but obey their Father's commandment: notwithstanding I have spoken unto you, rising early and speaking; but ye hearkened not unto me. I have sent also unto you all my servants the Prophets, rising up early and sending them, saying, Return ye now every man from his evil way, and amend your doings, and go not after other gods to serve them, and ye shall dwell in the land which I have given to you and to your Fathers: but ye have not inclined your ear, nor hearkened unto me. Because the sons of Jonadab the son of Rechab have performed the commandment of their Father, which he commanded them; but this people hath not hearkened unto me: Therefore thus saith the LORD God of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring upon Judah and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem all the evil that I have pronounced against them: because I have spoken unto them, but they have not heard; and I have called unto them, but they have not answered. ...

Men prone to excuse.

Genesis 3:12-13 And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat. And the LORD God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.

Shall be Punished.

Isaiah 42:24-25 Who gave Jacob for a spoil, and Israel to the robbers? did not the LORD, he against whom we have Sinned? for they would not walk in his ways, neither were they obedient unto his law. Therefore he hath poured upon him the fury of his Anger, and the strength of battle: and it hath set him on fire round about, yet he knew not; and it burned him, yet he laid it not to heart.

Acknowledge the punishment of, to be just.

Nehemiah 9:32-33 Now therefore, our God, the great, the mighty, and the terrible God, who keepest covenant and mercy, let not all the trouble seem little before thee, that hath come upon us, on our kings, on our Princes, and on our priests, and on our Prophets, and on our Fathers, and on all thy people, since the time of the kings of Assyria unto this day. Howbeit thou Art just in all that is brought upon us; for thou hast done right, but we have done wickedly:

Warnings against.

1 Samuel 12:15 But if ye will not obey the voice of the LORD, but rebel against the commandment of the LORD, then shall the hand of the LORD be against you, as it was against your Fathers.

Jeremiah 12:17 But if they will not obey, I will utterly pluck up and destroy that nation, saith the LORD.

Bitter results of, illustrated.

Jeremiah 9:13 And the LORD saith, Because they have forsaken my law which I set before them, and have not obeyed my voice, neither walked therein;

Jeremiah 9:15 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will feed them, even this people, with wormwood, and give them water of gall to drink.

Exemplified.

Adam and Eve,

Genesis 3:6 And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat.

Genesis 3:11 And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?

Pharaoh,

Exodus 5:2 And Pharaoh said, Who is the LORD, that I should obey his voice to let Israel go? I know not the LORD, neither will I let Israel go.

Nadab, ect.,

Leviticus 10:1 And Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, took either of them his censer, and put fire therein, and put incense thereon, and offered strange fire before the LORD, which he commanded them not.

Moses,

Numbers 20:8 Take the rod, and gather thou the assembly together, thou, and Aaron thy brother, and speak ye unto the rock before their eyes; and it shall give forth his water, and thou shalt bring forth to them water out of the rock: so thou shalt give the Congregation and their beasts drink.

Numbers 20:11 And Moses lifted up his hand, and with his rod he smote the rock twice: and the water came out abundantly, and the Congregation drank, and their beasts also.

Numbers 20:24 Aaron shall be gathered unto his people: for he shall not enter into the land which I have given unto the children of Israel, because ye rebelled against my word at the water of Meribah.

Saul,

1 Samuel 28:18 Because thou obeyedst not the voice of the LORD, nor executedst his fierce wrath upon Amalek, therefore hath the LORD done this thing unto thee this day.

The prophet,

1 Kings 13:20-23 And it came to pass, as they sat at the table, that the word of the LORD came unto the prophet that brought him back: And he cried unto the man of God that came from Judah, saying, Thus saith the LORD, Forasmuch as thou hast disobeyed the mouth of the LORD, and hast not kept the commandment which the LORD thy God commanded thee, But camest back, and hast eaten bread and drunk water in the place, of the which the LORD did say to thee, Eat no bread, and drink no water; thy carcase shall not come unto the sepulchre of thy Fathers. And it came to pass, after he had eaten bread, and after he had drunk, that he saddled for him the ass, to wit, for the prophet whom he had brought back.

Israel,

2 Kings 18:9-12 And it came to pass in the fourth year of king Hezekiah, which was the seventh year of Hoshea son of Elah king of Israel, that Shalmaneser king of Assyria came up against Samaria, and besieged it. And at the end of three years they took it: even in the sixth year of Hezekiah, that is the ninth year of Hoshea king of Israel, Samaria was taken. And the king of Assyria did carry away Israel unto Assyria, and put them in Halah and in Habor by the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes: Because they obeyed not the voice of the LORD their God, but transgressed his covenant, and all that Moses the Servant of the LORD commanded, and would not hear them, nor do them.

Jonah,

Jonah 1:2-3 Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry against it; for their wickedness is come up before me. But Jonah rose up to flee unto Tarshish from the presence of the LORD, and went down to Joppa; and he found a ship going to Tarshish: so he paid the fare thereof, and went down into it, to go with them unto Tarshish from the presence of the LORD.

Forsaking God Ends in Destruction, If Not Repented Of

Idolaters guilty of.

1 Samuel 8:8 According to all the works which they have done since the day that I brought them up out of Egypt even unto this day, wherewith they have forsaken me, and served other gods, so do they also unto thee.

1 Kings 11:33 Because that they have forsaken me, and have worshipped Ashtoreth the goddess of the Zidonians, Chemosh the god of the Moabites, and Milcom the god of the children of Ammon, and have not walked in my ways, to do that which is right in mine eyes, and to keep my statutes and my judgments, as did David his Father.

The wicked guilty of.

Deuteronomy 28:20 The LORD shall send upon thee cursing, vexation, and rebuke, in all that thou settest thine hand unto for to do, until thou be destroyed, and until thou perish quickly; because of the wickedness of thy doings, whereby thou hast forsaken me.

Backsliders guilty of.

Jeremiah 15:6 Thou hast forsaken me, saith the LORD, thou Art gone backward: therefore will I stretch out my hand against thee, and destroy thee; I am weary with repenting.

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His house.

2 Chronicles 29:6 For our Fathers have trespassed, and done that which was evil in the eyes of the LORD our God, and have forsaken him, and have turned away their faces from the habitation of the LORD, and turned their backs.

His covenant.

Deuteronomy 29:25 Then men shall say, Because they have forsaken the covenant of the LORD God of their Fathers, which he made with them when he brought them forth out of the land of Egypt:

1 Kings 19:10 And he said, I have been very jealous for the LORD God of hosts: for the children of Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thine Altars, and slain thy Prophets with the sword; and I, even I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away.

Jeremiah 22:9 Then they shall answer, Because they have forsaken the covenant of the LORD their God, and worshipped other gods, and served them.

Daniel 11:30 For the ships of Chittim shall come against him: therefore he shall be grieved, and return, and have indignation against the holy covenant: so shall he do; he shall even return, and have intelligence with them that forsake the holy covenant.

His commandments.

Ezra 9:10 And now, O our God, what shall we say after this? for we have forsaken thy commandments,

The right way.

2 Peter 2:15 Which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of Bosor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness;

Trusting in man is.

Jeremiah 17:5 Thus saith the LORD; Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the LORD.

Leads men to follow their own devices.

Jeremiah 2:13 For my people have committed two evils; they have forsaken me the fountain of living waters, and hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water.

Prosperity tempts to.

Deuteronomy 31:20 For when I shall have brought them into the land which I swear unto their Fathers, that floweth with milk and honey; and they shall have eaten and filled themselves, and waxen fat; then will they turn unto other gods, and serve them, and provoke me, and break my covenant.

Deuteronomy 32:15 But Jeshurun waxed fat, and kicked: thou Art waxen fat, thou Art grown thick, thou Art covered with fatness; then he forsook God which made him, and lightly esteemed the Rock of his Salvation.

Wickedness of.

Jeremiah 2:13 For my people have committed two evils; they have forsaken me the fountain of living waters, and hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water.

Jeremiah 5:7 How shall I pardon thee for this? thy children have forsaken me, and sworn by them that are no gods: when I had fed them to the full, they then committed adultery, and assembled themselves by troops in the harlots' houses.

Unreasonableness and ingratitude of.

Jeremiah 2:5-6 Thus saith the LORD, What iniquity have your Fathers found in me, that they are gone far from me, and have walked after vanity, and are become vain? Neither said they, Where is the LORD that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, that led us through the wilderness, through a land of deserts and of pits, through a land of drought, and of the shadow of Death, through a land that no man passed through, and where no man dwelt?

Brings confusion.

Jeremiah 17:13 O LORD, the hope of Israel, all that forsake thee shall be ashamed, and they that depart from me shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken the LORD, the fountain of living waters.

Followed by remorse.

Ezekiel 6:9 And they that escape of you shall remember me among the nations whither they shall be carried captives, because I am broken with their whorish heart, which hath departed from me, and with their eyes, which go a whoring after their Idols: and they shall lothe themselves for the evils which they have committed in all their abominations.

Brings down His wrath.

Ezra 8:22 For I was ashamed to require of the king a band of soldiers and horsemen to help us against the enemy in the way: because we had spoken unto the king, saying, The hand of our God is upon all them for good that seek him; but his power and his wrath is against all them that forsake him.

Provokes God to forsake men.

Judges 10:13 Yet ye have forsaken me, and served other gods: wherefore I will deliver you no more.

2 Chronicles 15:2 And he went out to meet Asa, and said unto him, Hear ye me, Asa, and all Judah and Benjamin; The LORD is with you, while ye be with him; and if ye seek him, he will be found of you; but if ye forsake him, he will forsake you.

2 Chronicles 24:20 And the Spirit of God came upon Zechariah the son of Jehoiada the priest, which stood above the people, and said unto them, Thus saith God, Why transgress ye the commandments of the LORD, that ye cannot prosper? because ye have forsaken the LORD, he hath also forsaken you.

2 Chronicles 24:24 For the army of the Syrians came with a small company of men, and the LORD delivered a very great host into their hand, because they had forsaken the LORD God of their Fathers. So they executed Judgment against Joash.

Resolve against.

Joshua 24:16 And the people answered and said, God forbid that we should forsake the LORD, to serve other gods;

Nehemiah 10:29-39 They clave to their Brethren, their nobles, and entered into a curse, and into an Oath, to walk in God's law, which was given by Moses the Servant of God, and to observe and do all the commandments of the LORD our Lord, and his judgments and his statutes; And that we would not give our daughters unto the people of the land, nor take their daughters for our sons: And if the people of the land bring ware or any victuals on the Sabbath day to sell, that we would not buy it of them on the Sabbath, or on the holy day: and that we would leave the seventh year, and the exaction of every debt. Also we made ordinances for us, to charge ourselves yearly with the third part of a shekel for the service of the house of our God; ...

Curse pronounced upon.

Jeremiah 17:5 Thus saith the LORD; Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the LORD.

Sin of, to be confessed.

Ezra 9:10 And now, O our God, what shall we say after this? for we have forsaken thy commandments,

Warnings against.

Joshua 24:20 If ye forsake the LORD, and serve strange gods, then he will turn and do you hurt, and consume you, after that he hath done you good.

1 Chronicles 28:9 And thou, Solomon my son, know thou the God of thy Father, and serve him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind: for the LORD searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts: if thou seek him, he will be found of thee; but if thou forsake him, he will cast thee off for ever.

Punishment of.

Deuteronomy 28:20 The LORD shall send upon thee cursing, vexation, and rebuke, in all that thou settest thine hand unto for to do, until thou be destroyed, and until thou perish quickly; because of the wickedness of thy doings, whereby thou hast forsaken me.

2 Kings 22:16-17 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, and upon the inhabitants thereof, even all the words of the book which the king of Judah hath read: Because they have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, that they might provoke me to Anger with all the works of their hands; therefore my wrath shall be kindled against this place, and shall not be quenched.

Exemplified.

Children of Israel,

1 Samuel 12:10 And they cried unto the LORD, and said, We have Sinned, because we have forsaken the LORD, and have served Baalim and Ashtaroth: but now deliver us out of the hand of our enemies, and we will serve thee.

Saul,

1 Samuel 15:11 It repenteth me that I have set up Saul to be king: for he is turned back from following me, and hath not performed my commandments. And it grieved Samuel; and he cried unto the LORD all night.

Ahab,

1 Kings 18:18 And he answered, I have not troubled Israel; but thou, and thy Father's house, in that ye have forsaken the commandments of the LORD, and thou hast followed Baalim.

Amon,

2 Kings 21:22 And he forsook the LORD God of his Fathers, and walked not in the way of the LORD.

Kingdom of Judah,

2 Chronicles 12:1 And it came to pass, when Rehoboam had established the kingdom, and had strengthened himself, he forsook The Law of the LORD, and all Israel with him.

2 Chronicles 21:10 So the Edomites revolted from under the hand of Judah unto this day. The same time also did Libnah revolt from under his hand; because he had forsaken the LORD God of his Fathers.

Isaiah 1:4 Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken the LORD, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto Anger, they are gone away backward.

Jeremiah 15:6 Thou hast forsaken me, saith the LORD, thou Art gone backward: therefore will I stretch out my hand against thee, and destroy thee; I am weary with repenting.

Kingdom of Israel,

2 Chronicles 13:11 And they burn unto the LORD every morning and every evening burnt sacrifices and sweet incense: the shewbread also set they in order upon the pure table; and the candlestick of gold with the lamps thereof, to burn every evening: for we keep the charge of the LORD our God; but ye have forsaken him.

2 Kings 17:7-18 For so it was, that the children of Israel had Sinned against the LORD their God, which had brought them up out of the land of Egypt, from under the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and had feared other gods, And walked in the statutes of the heathen, whom the LORD cast out from before the children of Israel, and of the kings of Israel, which they had made. And the children of Israel did secretly those things that were not right against the LORD their God, and they built them high places in all their cities, from the tower of the watchmen to the fenced city. And they set them up Images and Groves in every high hill, and under every green tree: ...

Many disciples,

John 6:66 From that time many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him.

Phygellus, ect.

2 Timothy 1:15 This thou knowest, that all they which are in Asia be turned away from me; of whom are Phygellus and Hermogenes.

Balaam,

2 Peter 2:15 Which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of Bosor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness;

Apostates Perish if No Repentance Can Be Found.

Apostates

Described.

Deuteronomy 13:13 Certain men, the children of Belial, are gone out from among you, and have withdrawn the inhabitants of their city, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which ye have not known;

Hebrews 3:12 Take heed, Brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God.

Persecution tends to make.

Matthew 24:9-10 Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake. And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another.

A worldly spirit tends to make.

2 Timothy 4:10 For Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia.

Never belonged to Christ.

1 John 2:19 They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us: but they went out, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us.

Saints do not become.

Psalms 44:18-19 Our heart is not turned back, neither have our steps declined from thy way; Though thou hast sore broken us in the place of dragons, and covered us with the shadow of Death.

That trust in the Law of Moses, impossible to restore.

Hebrews 6:4-6 For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God Afresh, and put him to an open shame.

Guilt and punishment of.

Zephaniah 1:4-6 I will also stretch out mine hand upon Judah, and upon all the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and I will cut off the remnant of Baal from this place, and the name of the Chemarims with the priests; And them that worship the host of heaven upon the housetops; and them that worship and that swear by the LORD, and that swear by Malcham; And them that are turned back from the LORD; and those that have not sought the LORD, nor inquired for him.

Hebrews 10:25-31 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching. For if we Sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for Sins, But a certain fearful looking for of Judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries. He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses: ...

Hebrews 10:39 But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.

2 Peter 2:17 These are wells without water, clouds that are carried with a tempest; to whom the mist of darkness is reserved for ever.

2 Peter 2:20-22 For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning. For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them. But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.

Cautions against becoming.

Hebrews 3:12 Take heed, Brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God.

2 Peter 3:17 Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led Away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own stedfastness.

Shall abound in the latter days.

Matthew 24:12 And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.

2 Thessalonians 2:3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of Sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

1 Timothy 4:1-3 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the Faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their Conscience seared with a hot iron; Forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth.

Exemplified.

Amaziah,

2 Chronicles 25:14 Now it came to pass, after that Amaziah was come from the slaughter of the Edomites, that he brought the gods of the children of Seir, and set them up to be his gods, and bowed down himself before them, and burned incense unto them.

2 Chronicles 25:27 Now after the time that Amaziah did turn away from following the LORD they made a conspiracy against him in Jerusalem; and he fled to Lachish: but they sent to Lachish after him, and slew him there.

Professed disciples,

John 6:66 From that time many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him.

Hymeneus and Alexander,

1 Timothy 1:19-20 Holding Faith, and a good Conscience; which some having put away concerning Faith have made shipwreck: Of whom is Hymenaeus and Alexander; whom I have delivered unto Satan, that they may learn not to blaspheme.

Denial of Christ Ends in Destruction, If Not Repented Of

Denial of Christ

In doctrine.

Mark 8:38 Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.

2 Timothy 1:8 Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the Afflictions of the Gospel according to the power of God;

In practice.

Philippians 3:18 (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ:

Philippians 3:10 That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the Fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his Death;

A characteristic of false Teachers.

2 Peter 2:1 But there were False Prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false Teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.

Jude 4 For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.

Is the spirit of Antichrist.

1 John 2:22 Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is Antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son.

1 John 4:3 And every spirit that Confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of Antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.

Christ will deny those guilty of.

Matthew 10:33 But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven.

2 Timothy 2:12 If we suffer, we shall also reign with him: if we deny him, he also will deny us:

Leads to destruction.

2 Peter 2:1 But there were False Prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false Teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.

Jude 4 For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.

Jude 15 To execute Judgment upon all, and to Convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.

Exemplified.

Peter,

Matthew 26:69-75 Now Peter sat without in the palace: and a damsel came unto him, saying, Thou also wast with Jesus of Galilee. But he denied before them all, saying, I know not what thou sayest. And when he was gone out into the porch, another maid saw him, and said unto them that were there, This fellow was also with Jesus of Nazareth. And again he denied with an Oath, I do not know the man. ...

The Jews,

John 18:40 Then cried they all again, saying, Not this man, but Barabbas. Now Barabbas was a robber.

Acts 3:13-14 The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our Fathers, hath glorified his Son Jesus; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let him go. But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you;

The Happiness of the Wicked

Is limited to this life.

Psalm 17:14 From men which are thy hand, O LORD, from men of the world, which have their portion in this life, and whose belly thou fillest with thy hid treasure: they are full of children, and leave the rest of their substance to their babes.

Luke 16:25 But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented.

Is short.

Job 20:5 That the triumphing of the wicked is short, and the joy of the hypocrite but for a moment?

Is uncertain.

Luke 12:20 But God said unto him, *Thou fool*, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?

James 4:13-14 Go to now, ye that say, To day or to morrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain: Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.

Is vain.

Ecclesiastes 2:1 I said in mine heart, Go to now, I will prove thee with mirth, therefore enjoy pleasure: and, behold, this also is vanity.

Ecclesiastes 7:6 For as the crackling of thorns under a pot, so is the laughter of the fool: this also is vanity.

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Their wealth.

Job 21:13 They spend their days in wealth, and in a moment go down to the grave.

Psalm 52:7 Lo, this is the man that made not God his strength; but trusted in the Abundance of his riches, and strengthened himself in his wickedness.

Their power.

Job 21:7 Wherefore do the wicked live, become old, yea, are mighty in power?

Psalm 37:35 I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like a green bay tree.

Their worldly prosperity.

Psalms 17:14 From men which are thy hand, O LORD, from men of the world, which have their portion in this life, and whose belly thou fillest with thy hid treasure: they are full of children, and leave the rest of their substance to their babes.

Psalms 73:3-4 For I was envious at the foolish, when I saw the prosperity of the wicked. For there are no bands in their Death: but their strength is firm.

Psalms 73:7 Their eyes stand out with fatness: they have more than heart could wish.

Popular applause.

Acts 12:22 And the people gave a shout, saying, It is the voice of a god, and not of a man.

Gluttony.

Isaiah 22:13 And behold joy and gladness, slaying oxen, and killing sheep, eating flesh, and drinking wine: let us eat and drink; for to morrow we shall die.

Habakkuk 1:16 Therefore they sacrifice unto their net, and burn incense unto their drag; because by them their portion is fat, and their meat plenteous.

Drunkenness.

Isaiah 5:11 Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning, that they may follow strong drink; that continue until night, till wine inflame them!

Isaiah 56:12 Come ye, say they, I will fetch wine, and we will fill ourselves with strong drink; and to morrow shall be as this day, and much more abundant.

Vain pleasure.

Job 21:12 They take the timbrel and Harp, and rejoice at the sound of the organ.

Isaiah 5:12 And the Harp, and the viol, the tabret, and pipe, and wine, are in their feasts: but they regard not the work of the LORD, neither consider the operation of his hands.

Successful oppression.

Habakkuk 1:15 They take up all of them with the Angle, they catch them in their net, and gather them in their drag: therefore they rejoice and are glad.

James 5:6 Ye have condemned and killed the just; and he doth not resist you.

Marred by jealousy.

Esther 5:13 Yet all this availeth me nothing, so long as I see Mordecai the Jew sitting at the king's gate.

Often interrupted by judgments.

Numbers 11:33 And while the flesh was yet between their teeth, ere it was chewed, the wrath of the LORD was kindled against the people, and the LORD smote the people with a very great plague.

Job 15:21 A dreadful sound is in his ears: in prosperity the destroyer shall come upon him.

Psalms 73:18-20 Surely thou didst set them in slippery places: thou castedst them down into destruction. How are they brought into desolation, as in a moment! they are utterly consumed with terrors. As a dream when one awaketh; so, O Lord, when thou awakest, thou shalt despise their image.

Jeremiah 25:10-11 Moreover I will take from them the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, the sound of the millstones, and the Light of the candle. And this whole land shall be a desolation, and an astonishment; and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years.

Leads to sorrow.

Proverbs 14:13 Even in laughter the heart is sorrowful; and the end of that mirth is heaviness.

Leads to recklessness.

Isaiah 22:13 And behold joy and gladness, slaying oxen, and killing sheep, eating flesh, and drinking wine: let us eat and drink; for to morrow we shall die.

Sometimes a stumbling-block to Saints.

Psalms 73:3 For I was envious at the foolish, when I saw the prosperity of the wicked.

Psalms 73:16 When I thought to know this, it was too painful for me;

Saints often permitted to see the end of.

Psalms 73:17-20 Until I went into the sanctuary of God; then understood I their end. Surely thou didst set them in slippery places: thou castedst them down into destruction. How are they brought into desolation, as in a moment! they are utterly consumed with terrors. As a dream when one awaketh; so, O Lord, when thou awakest, thou shalt despise their image.

Envy not.

Psalms 37:1 Fret not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity.

Woe against.

Amos 6:1 Woe to them that are at ease in Zion, and trust in the mountain of Samaria, which are named chief of the nations, to whom the house of Israel came!

Luke 6:25 Woe unto you that are full! for ye shall hunger. Woe unto you that laugh now! for ye shall mourn and weep.

Illustrated.

Psalms 37:35-36 I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like a green bay tree. Yet he passed away, and, lo, he was not: yea, I sought him, but he could not be found.

Exemplified.

Israel,

Numbers 11:33 And while the flesh was yet between their teeth, ere it was chewed, the wrath of the LORD was kindled against the people, and the LORD smote the people with a very great plague.

Haman,

Esther 5:9-11 Then went Haman forth that day joyful and with a glad heart: but when Haman saw Mordecai in the king's gate, that he stood not up, nor moved for him, he was full of indignation against Mordecai. Nevertheless Haman refrained himself: and when he came home, he sent and called for his friends, and Zeresh his wife. And Haman told them of the glory of his riches, and the multitude of his children, and all the things wherein the king had promoted him, and how he had advanced him above the Princes and servants of the king.

Belshazzar,

Daniel 5:1 Belshazzar the king made a great feast to a thousand of his lords, and drank wine before the thousand.

Herod,

Acts 12:21-23 And upon a set day Herod, arrayed in royal apparel, sat upon his throne, and made an oration unto them. And the people gave a shout, saying, It is the voice of a god, and not of a man. And immediately the angel of the Lord smote him, because he gave not God the glory: and he was eaten of worms, and gave up the ghost.

Names Can Be Removed from the Book of Life

The Lamb's Book of Life, Written Before the World Began

The Promise of Eternal Life Is In Christ Jesus.

2 Timothy 1:1. ¶ Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, according to the promise of life which is in Christ Jesus.

Saved & Called In Christ Jesus Before the World Began.

2 Timothy 1:9. Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began.

God Promised Eternal Life Before Creation.

Titus 1:2. In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;

God Promised His Son As A Lamb Before Creation.

Revelation 13:8. And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

The Book of Life, Written Before the World Was Created.

Revelation 17:8. The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the Book of Life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.

Those Found In the Book of Life

Enter The Kingdom of God.

Revelation 21:27. And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.

Those Not Found In the Book of Life.

Revelation 20:15. And whosoever was not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

Jesus is the Saviour of the World.

1 John 4:14 And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world.

Jesus Died for the Sins of the Whole World.

1 John 2:2 And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

Names Can Be Removed from the Book of Life.

Psalm 69:28. Let them be blotted out of the book of the living, and not be written with the righteous.

Exodus 32:32. Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sin—; and if not, blot me, I pray thee, out of thy book which thou hast written.

Revelation 22:19. And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the Book of Life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.

Jesus Will Not Blot Out Overcomers from the Book of Life

Revelation 3:5 He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.

Believers Overcome "By The Blood of the Lamb."

Revelation 12:11. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

"What Can Wash Away My Sin?
Nothing But the Blood of Jesus.
What Can Make Me Whole Again?
Nothing But the Blood of Jesus."

Everyone in the Book of Life will be Resurrected

Daniel 12:1-3. ¶ And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book. And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.

The Book of Life Is Unsealed During the Judgment.

Revelation 20:12,15. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. and *whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.*

Those in the Book of Life Will Not Be Condemned.

John 5:24 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

Those in the Book of Life Will be Safe in the City.

Isaiah 4:3. And it shall come to pass, that he that is left in zion, and he that remaineth in jerusalem, shall be called holy, even *every one that is written among the living in Jerusalem:*

When are Names Written in the Book of Life

At Conversion? NO!

Luke 22:32 But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and *when thou art converted,* strengthen thy brethren.

NOTE: While attending the last supper, Jesus told Peter, that he had NOT been converted yet.

The Apostles' Names Had Already Been Written in Heaven.

Luke 10:20 Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather *rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.*

Before I Formed Thee in the Belly I Knew Thee.

Jeremiah 1:5. Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.

The Very Hairs Of Your Head Are All Numbered.

Matthew 10:30 But the very hairs of your head are all numbered.

Missionaries Have Their Names Written in the Book of Life.

Philippians 4:3. And I intreat thee also, true yokefellow, help those women which laboured with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and with other **my fellowlabourers, whose names are in the book of life.**

Foreknowledge, Election & Predestination.

Ephesians 1:4-5. According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love: Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,

Elect According to the Foreknowledge of God

1 Peter 1:2. Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.

Whom He Did Foreknow, He Also Did Predestinate

Romans 8:29-30. For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren. Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.

TYING IT ALL TOGETHER

1. God promised eternal life before the world began.
2. By promising to give His son before the world was made.
3. Based on this promise God wrote the names of everyone who would ever be born into the Book of Life.
4. Able, Noah, Abraham, and Moses all sacrificed lambs, in faith looking forward to when the Son of God would be born the Lamb of God, that would die for the sins of the world.
5. Jesus is the Son of God, the Christ, the Lamb of God.
6. The Book of Life is "The Lamb's Book of Life."
7. Everyone in history that has put their trust in the Lamb of God (from Abel until our own times, by those who trust in the death of Jesus on the Cross), are promised that they will be saved by faith in His atoning death. Jesus promised believers that **"I will not blot out his name out of the Book of Life."** Names are kept in the Book of Life by faith in the blood of the Lamb. Jesus is the only way.
8. Through idolatry, sin and unbelief, most of the world throughout history has rejected Jehovah God, during Old Testament times, who later was named Jesus Christ at His birth *This has resulted in most of the worlds names being removed from the Book of Life. In comparison, few have kept their names in the Book of Life.*

Matthew 7:13-14 Enter ye in at the strait gate: for **wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:** because *strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.*

Revelation 20:7-8 And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, **and shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth,** gog and magog, to gather them together to battle: *the number of whom is as the sand of the sea.*

9. Those whose names are removed from the Book of Life have books of their own in heaven, which record every idle word ever spoken and every deed ever done, whether good or evil. During the judgment, those books will demonstrate why their names were removed from the Lamb's Book of Life.

Assurance of Salvation Only for those with “FAITH” in Christ

“Believe the Gospel”

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Commanded.

Matthew 11:22 But I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the day of judgment, than for you.

1 John 3:23 And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment.

THE OBJECTS OF, ARE

God.

John 14:1 ¶ Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

Christ.

John 6:29 Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent.

Acts 20:21 Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and Faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.

Writings of Moses.

John 5:46 For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me.

Acts 24:14 But this I Confess unto thee, that after the way which they call heresy, so worship I the God of my Fathers, believing all things which are written in The Law and in the Prophets:

Writings of the Prophets.

2 Chronicles 20:20 And they rose early in the morning, and went forth into the wilderness of Tekoa: and as they went forth, Jehoshaphat stood and said, Hear me, O Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem; Believe in the LORD your God, so shall ye be established; believe his Prophets, so shall ye prosper.

Acts 26:27 King Agrippa, believest thou the Prophets? I know that thou believest.

The Gospel.

Mark 1:15 And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the Gospel.

Promises of God.

Romans 4:21 And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.

Hebrews 11:13 These all died in Faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.

IN CHRIST IS

The gift of God.

Romans 12:3 For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of Faith.

Ephesians 2:8 For by grace are ye saved through Faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:

Ephesians 6:23 Peace be to the Brethren, and love with Faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Philippians 1:29 For unto you it is given in the behalf of Christ, not only to believe on him, but also to suffer for his sake;

The work of God.

Acts 11:21 And the hand of the Lord was with them: and a great number believed, and turned unto the Lord.

1 Corinthians 2:5 That your Faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

Precious.

2 Peter 1:1 Simon Peter, a Servant and an apostle of Jesus Christ, to them that have obtained like precious Faith with us through the righteousness of God and our Saviour Jesus Christ:

Most holy.

Jude 20 But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy Faith, praying in the Holy Ghost,

Fruitful.

1 Thessalonians 1:3 Remembering without ceasing your work of Faith, and labour of love, and Patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father;

Accompanied by repentance.

Mark 1:15 And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the Gospel.

Luke 24:47 And that repentance and remission of Sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

Followed by conversion.

Acts 11:21 And the hand of the Lord was with them: and a great number believed, and turned unto the Lord.

Christ is the Author and Finisher of.

Hebrews 12:2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our Faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Is a gift of the Holy Ghost.

1 Corinthians 12:9 To another Faith by the same Spirit; to another the Gifts of Healing by the same Spirit;

The Scriptures designed to produce.

John 20:31 But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

2 Timothy 3:15 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto Salvation through Faith which is in Christ Jesus.

Preaching designed to produce.

John 17:20 ¶ Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word;

Acts 8:12 But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the Kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.

Romans 10:14-15 How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the Gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!

Romans 10:17 So then Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

1 Corinthians 3:5 Who then is Paul, and who is Apollos, but ministers by whom ye believed, even as the Lord gave to every man?

THROUGH IT IS

Remission of Sins.

Acts 10:43 To him give all the Prophets Witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of Sins.

Romans 3:25 Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through Faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of Sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;

Justification.

Acts 13:39 And by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by The Law of Moses.

Romans 3:21-22 But now the righteousness of God without The Law is manifested, being witnessed by The Law and the Prophets; Even the righteousness of God which is by Faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference:

Romans 3:28 Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by Faith without the deeds of The Law.

Romans 5:1 Therefore being justified by Faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:

Galatians 2:16 Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of The Law, but by the Faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the Faith of Christ, and not by the works of The Law: for by the works of The Law shall no flesh be justified.

Salvation.

Mark 16:16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

Acts 16:31 And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

Sanctification.

Acts 15:9 And put no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by Faith.

Acts 26:18 To open their eyes, *and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me.*

Spiritual Light.

John 12:36 *While ye have light, believe in the light, that ye may be the children of light.* These things spake Jesus, and departed, and did hide himself from them.

John 12:46 *I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness.*

Spiritual life.

John 20:31 But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

Galatians 2:20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the Faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

Eternal Life.

John 3:15 That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

John 6:40 And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day.

John 6:47 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life.

Rest in heaven.

Hebrews 4:3 For we which have believed do enter into rest, as he said, As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest: although the works were finished from the foundation of the world.

Edification.

1 Timothy 1:4 Neither give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which minister questions, rather than godly edifying which is in Faith: so do.

Jude 20 But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy Faith, praying in the Holy Ghost,

Preservation.

1 Peter 1:5 Who are kept by the power of God through Faith unto Salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

Adoption.

John 1:12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

Galatians 3:26 For ye are all the children of God by Faith in Christ Jesus.

Access to God.

Romans 5:2 By whom also we have access by Faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Ephesians 3:12 In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the Faith of him.

Inheritance of the promises.

Galatians 3:22 But the scripture hath concluded all under Sin, that the promise by Faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.

Hebrews 6:12 That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through Faith and Patience inherit the promises.

The gift of the Holy Ghost.

Acts 11:15-17 And as I began to speak, the Holy Ghost fell on them, as on us at the beginning. Then remembered I the word of the Lord, how that he said, John indeed baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost. Forasmuch then as God gave them the like gift as he did unto us, who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ; what was I, that I could withstand God?

Galatians 3:14 That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through Faith.

Ephesians 1:13 In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the Gospel of your Salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of promise,

Impossible to please God without.

Hebrews 11:6 But without Faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

Justification is by, to be of grace.

Romans 4:16 Therefore it is of Faith, that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of The Law, but to that also which is of the Faith of Abraham; who is the Father of us all,

Essential to the profitable reception of the Gospel.

Hebrews 4:2 For unto us was the Gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with Faith in them that heard it.

Necessary in the Christian warfare.

1 Timothy 1:18 This charge I commit unto thee, son Timothy, according to the prophecies which went before on thee, that thou by them mightest war a good warfare;

1 Timothy 6:12 Fight the good fight of Faith, lay hold on Eternal Life, whereunto thou Art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.

The Gospel effectual in those who have.

1 Thessalonians 2:13 For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.

Excludes self-justification.

Romans 10:3-4 For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. For Christ is the end of The Law for righteousness to every one that believeth.

Excludes boasting.

Romans 3:27 Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? of works? Nay: but by The Law of Faith.

Works by love.

Galatians 5:6 For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; but Faith which worketh by love.

1 Timothy 1:5 Now the end of the commandment is Charity out of a pure heart, and of a good Conscience, and of Faith unfeigned:

Philemon 5 Hearing of thy love and Faith, which thou hast toward the Lord Jesus, and toward all Saints;

PRODUCES

Hope.

Romans 5:2 By whom also we have access by Faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Joy.

Acts 16:34 And when he had brought them into his house, he set meat before them, and rejoiced, believing in God with all his house.

1 Peter 1:8 Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:

Peace.

Romans 15:13 Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.

Confidence.

Isaiah 28:16 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste.

1 Peter 2:6 Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded.

Boldness in preaching.

Psalms 116:10 I believed, therefore have I spoken: I was greatly Afflicted:

2 Corinthians 4:13 We having the same spirit of Faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak;

Christ is precious to those having.

1 Peter 2:7 Unto you therefore which believe he is precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner,

Christ dwells in the heart by.

Ephesians 3:17 That Christ may dwell in your hearts by Faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,

Necessary in prayer.

Matthew 21:22 And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.

James 1:6 But let him ask in Faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.

Those who are not Christ's have not.

John 10:26-27 But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you. My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:

Evidence of the new birth.

1 John 5:1 Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him that Begat loveth him also that is begotten of him.

BY IT SAINTS

Live.

Galatians 2:20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the Faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

Stand.

Romans 11:20 Well; because of unbelief they were broken off, and thou standest by Faith. Be not highminded, but fear:

2 Corinthians 1:24 Not for that we have dominion over your Faith, but are helpers of your joy: for by Faith ye stand.

Walk.

Romans 4:12 And the Father of circumcision to them who are not of the circumcision only, but who also walk in the steps of that Faith of our Father Abraham, which he had being yet uncircumcised.

2 Corinthians 5:7 (For we walk by Faith, not by sight:)

Obtain a good report.

Hebrews 11:2 For by it the elders obtained a good report.

Overcome the world.

1 John 5:4-5 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our Faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?

Resist the devil.

1 Peter 5:9 Whom resist stedfast in the Faith, knowing that the same Afflictions are accomplished in your Brethren that are in the world.

Overcome the devil.

Ephesians 6:16 Above all, taking the shield of Faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.

Are supported.

Psalms 27:13 I had fainted, unless I had believed to see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living.

1 Timothy 4:10 For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe.

Saints die in.

Hebrews 11:13 These all died in Faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.

SAINTS SHOULD

Be sincere in.

1 Timothy 1:5 Now the end of the commandment is Charity out of a pure heart, and of a good Conscience, and of Faith unfeigned:

2 Timothy 1:5 When I call to remembrance the unfeigned Faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also.

Abound in.

2 Corinthians 8:7 Therefore, as ye abound in every thing, in Faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and in all diligence, and in your love to us, see that ye abound in this grace also.

Continue in.

Acts 14:22 Confirming the souls of the disciples, and exhorting them to continue in the Faith, and that we must through much Tribulation enter into the Kingdom of God.

Colossians 1:23 If ye continue in the Faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the Gospel, which ye have heard, and which was preached to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister;

Be strong in.

Romans 4:20-25 He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God; And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform. And therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness. ¶ Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it was imputed to him; But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead; Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification....

Stand fast in.

1 Corinthians 16:13 Watch ye, stand fast in the Faith, quit you like men, be strong.

Be grounded and settled in.

Colossians 1:23 If ye continue in the Faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the Gospel, which ye have heard, and which was preached to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister;

Hold, with a Good Conscience.

1 Timothy 1:19 Holding Faith, and a good Conscience; which some having put away concerning Faith have made shipwreck:

Pray for the increase of.

Luke 17:5 And the Apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our Faith.

Have full Assurance of.

2 Timothy 1:12 For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.

Hebrews 10:22 Let us draw near with a true heart in full Assurance of Faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil Conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.

True, evidenced by its fruits.

James 2:21-26 Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar? Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect? And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God. Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only. Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot justified by works, when she had received the messengers, and had sent *them* out another way? For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

Without fruits, is Dead.

James 2:17 Even so Faith, if it hath not works, is Dead, being alone.

James 2:20 But wilt thou know, O vain man, that Faith without works is Dead?

James 2:26 For as the body without the spirit is Dead, so Faith without works is Dead also.

Examine whether you be in.

2 Corinthians 13:5 Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the Faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?

All difficulties overcome by.

Matthew 17:20 And Jesus said unto them, *Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.*

Matthew 21:21 Jesus answered and said unto them, *Verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done.*

Mark 9:23 Jesus said unto him, *If thou canst believe, all things *are* possible to him that believeth.*

All things should be done in.

Romans 14:22 Hast thou Faith? have it to thyself before God. Happy is he that condemneth not himself in that thing which he alloweth.

Whatever is not of, is Sin.

Romans 14:23 And he that doubteth is damned if he eat, because he eateth not of Faith: for whatsoever is not of Faith is Sin.

Often tried by Affliction.

1 Peter 1:6-7 Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations: That the trial of your Faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:

Trial of, works Patience.

James 1:3 Knowing this, that the trying of your Faith worketh Patience.

The wicked often profess.

Acts 8:13 Then Simon himself believed also: and when he was baptized, he continued with Philip, and wondered, beholding the Miracles and signs which were done.

Acts 8:21 Thou hast neither part nor lot in this matter: for thy heart is not right in the sight of God.

The wicked destitute of.

John 10:25 Jesus answered them, I told you, and ye believed not: the works that I do in my Father's name, they bear Witness of me.

John 12:37 But though he had done so many Miracles before them, yet they believed not on him:

Acts 19:9 But when Divers were hardened, and believed not, but spake evil of that way before the multitude, he departed from them, and separated the disciples, disputing daily in the school of one Tyrannus.

2 Thessalonians 3:2 And that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men: for all men have not Faith.

Protection of, illustrated.

A shield,

Ephesians 6:16 Above all, taking the shield of Faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.

A breastplate,

1 Thessalonians 5:8 But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of Faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of Salvation.

Exemplified.

Caleb,

Numbers 13:30 And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it.

Job,

Job 19:25 For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth:

Shadrach,

Daniel 3:17 If it be so, (Our God Whom We Serve is Able to Deliver Us) from the burning Fiery Furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king.

Daniel,

Daniel 6:10 Now when Daniel knew that the writing was signed, he went into his house; and his windows being open in his chamber toward Jerusalem, he kneeled upon his knees three times a day, and prayed, and gave thanks before his God, as he did aforetime.

Daniel 6:23 Then was the king exceeding glad for him, and commanded that they should take Daniel up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no manner of hurt was found upon him, because he believed in his God.

Peter,

Matthew 16:16 And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.

Woman who was a sinner,

Luke 7:50 And he said to the woman, Thy Faith hath saved thee; go in peace.

Nathanael,

John 1:49 Nathanael answered and saith unto him, Rabbi, thou Art the Son of God; thou Art the King of Israel.

Samaritans,

John 4:39 And many of the Samaritans of that city believed on him for the saying of the woman, which testified, He told me all that ever I did.

Martha,

John 11:27 She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I believe that thou Art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world.

The Disciples,

John 16:30 Now are we sure that thou knowest all things, and needest not that any man should ask thee: by this we believe that thou camest forth from God.

Thomas,

John 20:28 And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God.

Stephen,

Acts 6:5 And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, a man full of Faith and of the Holy Ghost, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas a proselyte of Antioch:

Priests,

Acts 6:7 And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the Faith.

Ethiopian,

Acts 8:37 And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.

Barnabas,

Acts 11:24 For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Ghost and of Faith: and much people was added unto the Lord.

Sergius Paulus,

Acts 13:12 Then the deputy, when he saw what was done, believed, being astonished at the doctrine of the Lord.

Philippian jailor,

Acts 16:31 And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

Acts 16:34 And when he had brought them into his house, he set meat before them, and rejoiced, believing in God with all his house.

Romans,

Romans 1:8 First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for you all, that your Faith is spoken of throughout the whole world.

Colossians,

Colossians 1:4 Since we heard of your Faith in Christ Jesus, and of the love which ye have to all the Saints,

Thessalonians,

1 Thessalonians 1:3 Remembering without ceasing your work of Faith, and labour of love, and Patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father;

Lois,

2 Timothy 1:5 When I call to remembrance the unfeigned Faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also.

Paul,

2 Timothy 4:7 I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the Faith:

Abel,

Hebrews 11:4 By Faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained Witness that he was Righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it he being Dead yet speaketh.

Enoch,

Hebrews 11:5 By Faith Enoch was translated that he should not see Death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.

Noah,

Hebrews 11:7 By Faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by Faith.

Abraham,

Hebrews 11:8 By Faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.

Hebrews 11:17 By Faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the promises offered up his only begotten son,

Isaac,

Hebrews 11:20 By Faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come.

Jacob,

Hebrews 11:21 By Faith Jacob, when he was a dying, blessed both the sons of Joseph; and worshipped, leaning upon the top of his staff.

Joseph,

Hebrews 11:22 By Faith Joseph, when he died, made mention of the departing of the children of Israel; and gave commandment concerning his bones.

Moses,

Hebrews 11:24 By Faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter;

Hebrews 11:27 By Faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible.

Rahab,

Hebrews 11:31 By Faith the harlot Rahab perished not with them that believed not, when she had received the spies with peace.

Gideon

Hebrews 11:32-33 And what shall I more say? for the time would fail me to tell of Gideon, and of Barak, and of Samson, and of Jephthae; of David also, and Samuel, and of the Prophets: Who through Faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions,

Hebrews 11:39 And these all, having obtained a good report through Faith, received not the promise:

Assurance of Salvation Only for those who “REPENT!”

What it is.

Isaiah 45:22 Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else.

Matthew 6:19-21 ¶ Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

Acts 14:15 And saying, Sirs, why do ye these things? We also are men of like passions with you, and preach unto you that ye should turn from these vanities unto the living God, which made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all things that are therein:

2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

Colossians 3:2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

1 Thessalonians 1:9 For they themselves shew of us what manner of entering in we had unto you, and how ye turned to God from Idols to serve the living and true God;

Hebrews 12:1-2 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the Sin which doth so easily Beset us, and let us run with Patience the race that is set before us, Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our Faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Commanded to all by God.

Ezekiel 18:30-32 ¶ Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, saith the Lord GOD. Repent, and turn *yourselves* from all your transgressions; so iniquity shall not be your ruin. Cast away from you all your transgressions, whereby ye have transgressed; and make you a new heart and a new spirit: for why will ye die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord GOD: wherefore turn *yourselves*, and live ye.

Acts 17:30 And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:

Commanded by Christ.

Revelation 2:5 Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.

Revelation 3:3 Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.

Given by God.

Acts 11:18 When they heard these things, they held their peace, and glorified God, saying, Then hath God also to the Gentiles granted repentance unto life.

2 Timothy 2:25 In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth;

Christ came to call sinners to.

Matthew 9:13 But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the Righteous, but sinners to repentance.

Christ exalted to give.

Acts 5:31 Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of Sins.

By the operation of the Holy Ghost.

Zechariah 12:10 And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn.

Called repentance unto life.

Acts 11:18 When they heard these things, they held their peace, and glorified God, saying, Then hath God also to the Gentiles granted repentance unto life.

Called repentance unto Salvation.

2 Corinthians 7:10 For godly sorrow worketh repentance to Salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh Death.

WE SHOULD BE LED TO, BY

The long-suffering of God.

Genesis 6:3 And the LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years.

1 Peter 3:20 Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water.

2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

The goodness of God.

Romans 2:4 Or despisest thou the riches of his goodness and forbearance and longsuffering; not knowing that the goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance?

The chastisements of God.

1 Kings 8:47 Yet if they shall Bethink themselves in the land whither they were carried captives, and repent, and make supplication unto thee in the land of them that carried them captives, saying, We have Sinned, and have done perversely, we have committed wickedness;

Revelation 3:19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

Godly sorrow works.

2 Corinthians 7:10 For godly sorrow worketh repentance to Salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh Death.

Necessary to the pardon of Sin.

Acts 2:38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of Sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Acts 3:19 Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your Sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;

Acts 8:22 Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee.

Conviction of Sin necessary to.

1 Kings 8:38 What prayer and supplication soever be made by any man, or by all thy people Israel, which shall know every man the plague of his own heart, and spread forth his hands toward this house:

Proverbs 28:13 He that covereth his Sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy.

Acts 2:37 Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the Apostles, Men and Brethren, what shall we do?

Acts 19:18 And many that believed came, and confessed, and shewed their deeds.

PREACHED

By Christ.

Matthew 4:17 From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Mark 1:15 And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.

By John The Baptist.

Matthew 3:2 And saying, Repent ye: for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand.

By the Apostles.

Mark 6:12 And they went out, and preached that men should repent.

Acts 20:21 Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and Faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.

In the name of Christ.

Luke 24:47 And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

Not to be repented of.

2 Corinthians 7:10 For godly sorrow worketh repentance to Salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh Death.

The present time the season for.

Psalms 95:7-8 For he is our God; and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. To day if ye will hear his voice, 8 Harden not your heart, as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness:

There is joy in heaven over one sinner brought to.

Luke 15:7 I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance.

Luke 15:10 Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth.

Ministers should rejoice over their people on their.

2 Corinthians 7:9 Now I rejoice, not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance: for ye were made sorry after a godly manner, that ye might receive damage by us in nothing.

Should be evidenced by fruits.

Isaiah 1:16-17 Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil; Learn to do well; seek Judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow.

SHOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY

Humility.

2 Chronicles 7:14 If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their Sin, and will heal their land.

James 4:9-10 Be Afflicted, and mourn, and weep: let your laughter be turned to mourning, and your joy to heaviness. Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.

Shame and confusion.

Ezra 9:6-15 And said, O my God, I am ashamed and blush to lift up my face to thee, my God: for our iniquities are increased over *our* head, and our trespass is grown up unto the heavens. Since the days of our fathers *have we been* in a great trespass unto this day; and for our iniquities have we, our kings, *and* our priests, been delivered into the hand of the kings of the lands, to the sword, to captivity, and to a spoil, and to confusion of face, as *it is* this day. And now for a little space grace hath been *shewed* from the LORD our God, to leave us a remnant to escape, and to give us a nail in his holy place, that our God may lighten our eyes, and give us a little reviving in our bondage. For we *were* bondmen; yet our God hath not forsaken us in our bondage, but hath extended mercy unto us in the sight of the kings of Persia, to give us a reviving, to set up the house of our God, and to repair the desolations thereof, and to give us a wall in Judah and in Jerusalem. And now, O our God, what shall we say after this? for we have forsaken thy commandments, Which thou hast commanded by thy servants the prophets, saying, The land, unto which ye go to possess it, is an unclean land with the filthiness of the people of the lands, with their abominations, which have filled it from one end to another with their uncleanness. Now therefore give not your daughters unto their sons, neither take their daughters unto your sons, nor seek their peace or their wealth for ever: that ye may be strong, and eat the good of the land, and leave *it* for an inheritance to your children for ever. And after all that is come upon us for our evil deeds, and for our great trespass, seeing that thou our God hast punished us less than our iniquities *deserve*, and hast given us *such* deliverance as this; Should we again break thy commandments, and join in affinity with the people of these abominations? wouldest not thou be angry with us till thou hadst consumed *us*, so that *there should be* no remnant nor escaping? O LORD God of Israel, thou *art* righteous: for we remain yet escaped, as *it is* this day: behold, we *are* before thee in our trespasses: for we cannot stand before thee because of this.

Jeremiah 31:19 Surely after that I was turned, I repented; and after that I was instructed, I smote upon my thigh: I was ashamed, yea, even confounded, because I did bear the reproach of my youth.

Ezekiel 16:61 Then thou shalt remember thy ways, and be ashamed, when thou shalt receive thy sisters, thine elder and thy younger: and I will give them unto thee for daughters, but not by thy covenant.

Ezekiel 16:63 That thou mayest remember, and be confounded, and never open thy mouth any more because of thy shame, when I am pacified toward thee for all that thou hast done, saith the Lord GOD.

Self-abhorrence.

Job 42:6 Wherefore I Abhor myself, and repent in dust and ashes.

Confession.

Leviticus 26:40 If they shall Confess their iniquity, and the iniquity of their Fathers, with their trespass which they trespassed against me, and that also they have walked contrary unto me;

Job 33:27 He looketh upon men, and if any say, I have Sinned, and perverted that which was right, and it profited me not;

Faith.

Matthew 21:32 For John came unto you in the way of righteousness, and ye believed him not: but the publicans and the harlots believed him: and ye, when ye had seen *it*, repented not afterward, that ye might believe him.

Mark 1:15 And saying, *The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.*

Acts 20:21 Testifying both to the Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance toward God, and Faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.

Prayer.

1 Kings 8:33 When thy people Israel be smitten down before the enemy, because they have Sinned against thee, and shall turn again to thee, and Confess thy name, and pray, and make supplication unto thee in this house:

Acts 8:22 Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee.

Conversion.

Acts 3:19 Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your Sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;

Acts 26:20 But shewed first unto them of Damascus, and at Jerusalem, and throughout all the coasts of Judaea, and *then* to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, and do works meet for repentance.

Turning from Sin.

2 Chronicles 6:26 When the heaven is shut up, and there is no Rain, because they have Sinned against thee; yet if they pray toward this place, and Confess thy name, and turn from their Sin, when thou dost afflict them;

Turning from idolatry.

Ezekiel 14:6 Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Repent, and turn yourselves from your Idols; and turn away your faces from all your abominations.

1 Thessalonians 1:9 For they themselves shew of us what manner of entering in we had unto you, and how ye turned to God from Idols to serve the living and true God;

Greater zeal in the path of duty.

2 Corinthians 7:11 For behold this selfsame thing, that ye sorrowed after a godly sort, what carefulness it wrought in you, yea, what clearing of yourselves, yea, what indignation, yea, what fear, yea, what vehement desire, yea, what zeal, yea, what revenge! In all things ye have approved yourselves to be clear in this matter.

Exhortations to.

Ezekiel 14:6 Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Repent, and turn yourselves from your Idols; and turn away your faces from all your abominations.

Ezekiel 18:30 Therefore I will Judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways, saith the Lord GOD. Repent, and turn yourselves from all your transgressions; so iniquity shall not be your ruin.

Acts 2:38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of Sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Acts 3:19 Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your Sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;

THE WICKED

Averse to.

Jeremiah 8:6 I hearkened and heard, but they spake not aright: no man repented him of his wickedness, saying, What have I done? every one turned to his course, as the horse rusheth into the battle.

Matthew 21:32 For John came unto you in the way of righteousness, and ye believed him not: but the publicans and the harlots believed him: and ye, when ye had seen *it*, repented not afterward, that ye might believe him.

Not led to by the judgments of God.

Revelation 9:20 And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet Repented Not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils, and Idols of gold, and silver, and brass, and stone, and of wood: which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk:

Revelation 16:9 And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they Repented Not to give him glory.

Not led to, by miraculous interference.

Luke 16:30-31 And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent. And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.

Neglect the time given for.

Revelation 2:21 And I gave her space to repent of her Fornication; and she Repented Not.

Condemned for neglecting.

Matthew 11:20 Then began he to upbraid the cities wherein most of his mighty works were done, because they repented not:

Danger of neglecting.

Matthew 11:20-24 Then began he to upbraid the cities wherein most of his mighty works were done, because they repented not: Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. But I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the day of judgment, than for you. And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. But I say unto you, That it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment, than for thee.

Luke 13:3 I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

Luke 13:5 I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

Neglect of, followed by swift Judgment.

Revelation 2:5 Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.

Revelation 2:16 Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth.

Denied to apostates.

Hebrews 6:4-6 For *it is* impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put *him* to an open shame.

Illustrated.

Luke 15:18-21 I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants. And he arose, and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him, and had compassion, and ran, and fell on his neck, and kissed him. And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.

Luke 18:13 And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as *his* eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner.

The Prodigal Son,

Luke 15:17-19 And when he came to himself, he said, How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and before thee, And am no more worthy to be called thy son: make me as one of thy hired servants.

The Repentant Son,

Matthew 21:29 He answered and said, I will not: but afterward he repented, and went.

Paul,

Galatians 1:23 But they had heard only, That he which persecuted us in times past now preacheth the faith which once he destroyed.

True Exemplified.

Israelites,

Judges 10:15-16 And the children of Israel said unto the LORD, We have Sinned: do thou unto us whatsoever seemeth good unto thee; deliver us only, we pray thee, this day. And they put away the strange gods from among them, and served the LORD: and his soul was grieved for the misery of Israel.

David,

2 Samuel 12:13 And David said unto Nathan, I have Sinned against the LORD. And Nathan said unto David, The LORD also hath put away thy Sin; thou shalt not die.

Manasseh,

2 Chronicles 33:12-13 And when he was in Affliction, he Besought the LORD his God, and humbled himself greatly before the God of his Fathers, And prayed unto him: and he was intreated of him, and heard his supplication, and brought him again to Jerusalem into his kingdom. Then Manasseh knew that the LORD he was God.

Job,

Job 42:6 Wherefore I Abhor myself, and repent in dust and ashes.

Nineveh,

Jonah 3:5-8 ¶ So the people of Nineveh believed God, and proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them even to the least of them. For word came unto the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, and he laid his robe from him, and covered *him* with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. And he caused *it* to be proclaimed and published through Nineveh by the decree of the king and his nobles, saying, Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste any thing: let them not feed, nor drink water: But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily unto God: yea, let them turn every one from his evil way, and from the violence that *is* in their hands.

Matthew 12:41 The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas *is* here.

Peter,

Matthew 26:75 And Peter remembered the word of Jesus, which said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice. And he went out, and wept bitterly.

Zaccheus,

Luke 19:8 And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore *him* fourfold.

Thief on the Cross,

Luke 23:40-41 But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou art in the same condemnation? And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man hath done nothing amiss.

Corinthians,

2 Corinthians 7:9-10 Now I rejoyce, not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance: for ye were made sorry after a godly manner, that ye might receive damage by us in nothing. For godly sorrow worketh repentance to Salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh Death.

False Exemplified.

Saul,

1 Samuel 15:24-30 ¶ And Saul said unto Samuel, I have sinned: for I have transgressed the commandment of the LORD, and thy words: because I feared the people, and obeyed their voice. Now therefore, I pray thee, pardon my sin, and turn again with me, that I may worship the LORD. And Samuel said unto Saul, I will not return with thee: for thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, and the LORD hath rejected thee from being king over Israel. And as Samuel turned about to go away, he laid hold upon the skirt of his mantle, and it rent. And Samuel said unto him, The LORD hath rent the kingdom of Israel from thee this day, and hath given it to a neighbour of thine, *that is* better than thou. And also the Strength of Israel will not lie nor repent: for he *is* not a man, that he should repent. Then he said, I have sinned: *yet* honour me now, I pray thee, before the elders of my people, and before Israel, and turn again with me, that I may worship the LORD thy God.

Ahab,

1 Kings 21:27-29 And it came to pass, when Ahab heard those words, that he rent his clothes, and put sackcloth upon his flesh, and fasted, and lay in sackcloth, and went softly. And the word of the LORD came to Elijah the Tishbite, saying, Seest thou how Ahab humbleth himself before me? because he humbleth himself before me, I will not bring the evil in his days: but in his son's days will I bring the evil upon his house.

Judas,

Matthew 27:3-5 Then Judas, which had betrayed him, when he saw that he was condemned, repented himself, and brought again the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders, Saying, I have Sinned in that I have betrayed the innocent blood. And they said, What is that to us? see thou to that. And he cast down the pieces of silver in the temple, and departed, and went and hanged himself.

“Be Converted, that Your Sins may be Blotted Out”

Acts 3:19 Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;

By God.

1 Kings 18:37 Hear me, O LORD, hear me, that this people may know that thou Art the LORD God, and that thou hast turned their heart back again.

John 6:44 No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.

Acts 21:19 And when he had saluted them, he declared particularly what things God had wrought among the Gentiles by his ministry.

By Christ.

Acts 3:26 Unto you first God, having raised up his Son Jesus, sent him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities.

Romans 15:18 For I will not dare to speak of any of those things which Christ hath not wrought by me, to make the Gentiles obedient, by word and deed,

By the power of the Holy Ghost.

Proverbs 1:23 Turn you at my reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you.

Is of grace.

Acts 11:21 And the hand of the Lord was with them: and a great number believed, and turned unto the Lord.

Acts 11:23 Who, when he came, and had seen the grace of God, was glad, and exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart they would Cleave Unto the Lord.

Follows repentance.

Acts 3:19 Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your Sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;

Acts 26:20 But shewed first unto them of Damascus, and at Jerusalem, and throughout all the coasts of Judaea, and then to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, and do works meet for repentance.

Is the result of Faith.

Acts 11:21 And the hand of the Lord was with them: and a great number believed, and turned unto the Lord.

THROUGH THE INSTRUMENTALITY OF

The scriptures.

Psalms 19:7 The Law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple.

Ministers.

Acts 26:18 To open their eyes, *and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me.*

1 Thessalonians 1:9 For they themselves shew of us what manner of entering in we had unto you, and how ye turned to God from Idols to serve the living and true God;

Self-examination.

Psalms 119:59 I thought on my ways, and turned my feet unto thy testimonies.

Lamentations 3:40 Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to the LORD.

Affliction.

Psalms 78:34 When he slew them, then they sought him: and they returned and inquired early after God.

OF SINNERS, A CAUSE OF JOY.

To God.

Ezekiel 18:23 Have I any pleasure at all that the wicked should die? saith the Lord GOD: and not that he should return from his ways, and live?

Luke 15:32 *It was meet that we should make merry, and be glad: for this thy brother was dead, and is alive again; and was lost, and is found.*

To Saints.

Acts 15:3 And being brought on their way by the Church, they passed through Phenice and Samaria, declaring the conversion of the Gentiles: and they caused great joy unto all the Brethren.

Galatians 1:23-24 But they had heard only, That he which persecuted us in times past now preacheth the Faith which once he destroyed. 24 And they glorified God in me.

Is necessary.

Matthew 18:3 And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

Commanded.

Job 36:10 He openeth also their ear to discipline, and commandeth that they return from iniquity.

Exhortations to.

Proverbs 1:23 Turn you at my reproof: behold, I will pour out my spirit unto you, I will make known my words unto you.

Isaiah 31:6 Turn ye unto him from whom the children of Israel have deeply revolted.

Isaiah 55:7 Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

Jeremiah 3:7 And I said after she had done all these things, Turn thou unto me. But she returned not. And her treacherous sister Judah saw it.

Ezekiel 33:11 Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the Death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?

Promises connected with.

Nehemiah 1:9 But if ye turn unto me, and keep my commandments, and do them; though there were of you cast out unto the uttermost part of the heaven, yet will I gather them from thence, and will bring them unto the place that I have Chosen to set my name there.

Isaiah 1:27 Zion shall be redeemed with Judgment, and her converts with righteousness.

Jeremiah 3:14 Turn, O backsliding children, saith the LORD; for I am married unto you: and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion:

Ezekiel 18:27 Again, when the wicked man turneth away from his wickedness that he hath committed, and doeth that which is lawful and right, he shall save his soul alive.

Pray for.

Psalms 80:7 Turn us again, O God of hosts, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved.

Psalms 85:4 Turn us, O God of our Salvation, and cause thine Anger toward us to cease.

Jeremiah 31:18 I have surely heard Ephraim bemoaning himself thus; Thou hast chastised me, and I was chastised, as a bullock unaccustomed to the yoke: turn thou me, and I shall be turned; for thou Art the LORD my God.

Lamentations 5:21 Turn thou us unto thee, O LORD, and we shall be turned; renew our days as of old.

Is accompanied by Confession of Sin, and Prayer.

1 Kings 8:35 When heaven is shut up, and there is no Rain, because they have Sinned against thee; if they pray toward this place, and Confess thy name, and turn from their Sin, when thou afflictest them:

Danger of neglecting.

Psalms 7:12 If he turn not, he will whet his sword; he hath bent his bow, and made it ready.

Jeremiah 44:5 But they hearkened not, nor inclined their ear to turn from their wickedness, to burn no incense unto other gods.

Jeremiah 44:11 Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will set my face against you for evil, and to cut off all Judah.

Duty of leading sinners to.

Psalms 51:13 Then will I Teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

Encouragement for leading sinners to.

Daniel 12:3 And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.

James 5:19-20 Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him; Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from Death, and shall hide a multitude of Sins.

Of Gentiles, predicted.

Isaiah 2:2 And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the LORDS' house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it.

Isaiah 11:10 And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be glorious.

Isaiah 60:5 Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged; because the Abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee.

Isaiah 66:12 For thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the Gentiles like a flowing stream: then shall ye suck, ye shall be borne upon her sides, and be dandled upon her knees.

Of Israel, predicted.

Ezekiel 36:25-27 Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your Idols, will I cleanse you. A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them.

“God be Merciful to Me a Sinner” – Confessing Sin

Luke 18:10-14 Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men *are*, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican. I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess. And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as *his* eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner. I tell you, this man went down to his house justified *rather* than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

God requires.

Leviticus 5:5 And it shall be, when he shall be guilty in one of these things, that he shall Confess that he hath Sinned in that thing:

Hosea 5:15 I will go and return to my place, till they acknowledge their offence, and seek my face: in their Affliction they will seek me early.

God regards.

Job 33:27-28 He looketh upon men, and if any say, I have Sinned, and perverted that which was right, and it profited me not; He will deliver his soul from going into the pit, and his life shall see the Light.

Exhortation to.

Joshua 7:19 And Joshua said unto Achan, My son, give, I pray thee, glory to the LORD God of Israel, and make Confession unto him; and tell me now what thou hast done; hide it not from me.

Jeremiah 3:13 Only acknowledge thine iniquity, that thou hast transgressed against the LORD thy God, and hast scattered thy ways to the strangers under every green tree, and ye have not obeyed my voice, saith the LORD.

James 5:16 Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a Righteous man availeth much.

Promises to.

Leviticus 26:40-42 If they shall Confess their iniquity, and the iniquity of their Fathers, with their trespass which they trespassed against me, and that also they have walked contrary unto me; And that I also have walked contrary unto them, and have brought them into the land of their enemies; if then their uncircumcised hearts be humbled, and they then accept of the punishment of their iniquity: Then will I remember my covenant with Jacob, and also my covenant with Isaac, and also my covenant with Abraham will I remember; and I will remember the land.

Proverbs 28:13 He that covereth his Sins shall not prosper: but whoso Confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy.

SHOULD BE ACCOMPANIED WITH

Submission to punishment.

Leviticus 26:41 And that I also have walked contrary unto them, and have brought them into the land of their enemies; if then their uncircumcised hearts be humbled, and they then accept of the punishment of their iniquity:

Nehemiah 9:33 Howbeit thou Art just in all that is brought upon us; for thou hast done right, but we have done wickedly:

Ezra 9:13 And after all that is come upon us for our evil deeds, and for our great trespass, seeing that thou our God hast Punished us less than our iniquities deserve, and hast given us such deliverance as this;

Prayer for forgiveness.

2 Samuel 24:10 And David's heart smote him after that he had numbered the people. And David said unto the LORD, I have Sinned greatly in that I have done: and now, I Beseech thee, O LORD, take away the iniquity of thy Servant; for I have done very foolishly.

Psalms 25:11 For thy name's sake, O LORD, pardon mine iniquity; for it is great.

Psalms 51:1 Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.

Jeremiah 14:7-9 O LORD, though our iniquities testify against us, do thou it for thy name's sake: for our backslidings are many; we have Sinned against thee. O the hope of Israel, the saviour thereof in time of trouble, why shouldest thou be as a stranger in the land, and as a wayfaring man that turneth aside to tarry for a night? Why shouldest thou be as a man Astonied, as a mighty man that cannot save? yet thou, O LORD, Art in the midst of us, and we are called by thy name; leave us not.

Jeremiah 14:20 We acknowledge, O LORD, our wickedness, and the iniquity of our Fathers: for we have Sinned against thee.

Self-Abasement.

Isaiah 64:5-6 Thou meetest him that rejoiceth and worketh righteousness, those that remember thee in thy ways: behold, thou Art wroth; for we have Sinned: in those is continuance, and we shall be saved. But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.

Godly sorrow.

Psalms 38:18 For I will declare mine iniquity; I will be sorry for my Sin.

Lamentations 1:20 Behold, O LORD; for I am in distress: my Bowels are troubled; mine heart is turned within me; for I have grievously rebelled: abroad the sword bereaveth, at home there is as Death.

Forsaking Sin.

Proverbs 28:13 He that covereth his Sins shall not prosper: but whoso Confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy.

Restitution.

Numbers 5:6-7 Speak unto the children of Israel, When a man or woman shall commit any Sin that men commit, to do a trespass against the LORD, and that person be guilty; Then they shall Confess their Sin which they have done: and he shall recompense his trespass with the principal thereof, and add unto it the fifth part thereof, and give it unto him against whom he hath trespassed.

Should be full and unreserved.

Psalm 32:5 I acknowledged my Sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, I will Confess my transgressions unto the LORD; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my Sin. Selah.

Psalm 51:3 For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my Sin is ever before me.

Psalm 106:6 We have sinned with our fathers, we have committed iniquity, we have done wickedly.

Followed by pardon.

Psalm 32:5 I acknowledged my Sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, I will Confess my transgressions unto the LORD; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my Sin. Selah.

1 John 1:9 If we Confess our Sins, he is Faithful and just to forgive us our Sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Illustrated.

Luke 15:21 And the son said unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.

Luke 18:13 And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as *his* eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner.

Exemplified.

Aaron,

Numbers 12:11 And Aaron said unto Moses, Alas, my lord, I Beseech thee, lay not the Sin upon us, wherein we have done foolishly, and wherein we have Sinned.

Israelites,

Numbers 21:6-7 And the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people; and much people of Israel died. Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, We have Sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD, and against thee; pray unto the LORD, that he take away the serpents from us. And Moses prayed for the people.

1 Samuel 7:6 And they gathered together to Mizpeh, and drew water, and poured it out before the LORD, and fasted on that day, and said there, We have Sinned against the LORD. And Samuel judged the children of Israel in Mizpeh.

1 Samuel 12:19 And all the people said unto Samuel, Pray for thy servants unto the LORD thy God, that we die not: for we have added unto all our Sins this evil, to ask us a king.

Saul,

1 Samuel 15:24 And Saul said unto Samuel, I have Sinned: for I have transgressed the commandment of the LORD, and thy words: because I feared the people, and obeyed their voice.

David,

2 Samuel 24:10 And David's heart smote him after that he had numbered the people. And David said unto the LORD, I have Sinned greatly in that I have done: and now, I Beseech thee, O LORD, take away the iniquity of thy Servant; for I have done very foolishly.

Ezra,

Ezra 9:6 And said, O my God, I am ashamed and blush to lift up my face to thee, my God: for our iniquities are increased over our head, and our trespass is grown up unto the heavens.

Nehemiah,

Nehemiah 1:6-7 Let thine ear now be attentive, and thine eyes open, that thou mayest hear the prayer of thy Servant, which I pray before thee now, day and night, for the children of Israel thy servants, and Confess the Sins of the children of Israel, which we have Sinned against thee: both I and my Father's house have Sinned. We have dealt very corruptly against thee, and have not kept the commandments, nor the statutes, nor the judgments, which thou commandedst thy Servant Moses.

Levites,

Nehemiah 9:4 Then stood up upon the stairs, of the Levites, Jeshua, and Bani, Kadmiel, Shebaniah, Bunni, Sherebiah, Bani, and Chenani, and cried with a loud voice unto the LORD their God.

Nehemiah 9:33-34 Howbeit thou Art just in all that is brought upon us; for thou hast done right, but we have done wickedly: Neither have our kings, our Princes, our priests, nor our Fathers, kept thy law, nor hearkened unto thy commandments and thy testimonies, wherewith thou didst testify against them.

Job,

Job 7:20 I have Sinned; what shall I do unto thee, O thou preserver of men? why hast thou set me as a mark against thee, so that I am a burden to myself?

Daniel,

Daniel 9:4 And I prayed unto the LORD my God, and made my Confession, and said, O Lord, the great and dreadful God, keeping the covenant and mercy to them that love him, and to them that keep his commandments;

Peter,

Luke 5:8 When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, Depart from me; for I am a sinful man, O Lord.

Thief,

Luke 23:41 And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man hath done nothing Amiss.

“In the Name of Jesus Christ,” – Confessing Christ

Influences of the Holy Spirit necessary to.

1 Corinthians 12:3 Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed: and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.

1 John 4:2 Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that [Confesseth] that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God:

A test of being Saints.

1 John 2:23 Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father: (but) he that acknowledgeth the Son hath the Father also.

1 John 4:2-3 Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that [Confesseth] that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: And every spirit that [Confesseth] not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of Antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.

An evidence of union with God.

1 John 4:15 Whosoever shall Confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.

Necessary to Salvation.

Romans 10:9-10 That if thou shalt Confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the Dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth Confession is made unto Salvation.

Ensures His confessing us.

Matthew 10:32 Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven.

The fear of man prevents.

John 7:13 Howbeit no man spake openly of him for fear of the Jews.

John 12:42-43 Nevertheless among the chief rulers also many believed on him; but because of the Pharisees they did not Confess him, lest they should be put out of the synagogue: For they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God.

Persecution should not prevent us from.

Mark 8:35 For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the Gospel's, the same shall save it.

2 Timothy 2:12 If we suffer, we shall also reign with him: if we deny him, he also will deny us:

Must be connected with Faith.

Romans 10:9 That if thou shalt Confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the Dead, thou shalt be saved.

Consequences of not.

Matthew 10:33 But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven.

Exemplified.

Nathanael,

John 1:49 Nathanael answered and saith unto him, Rabbi, thou Art the Son of God; thou Art the King of Israel.

Peter,

John 6:68-69 Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of Eternal Life. And we believe and are sure that thou Art that Christ, the Son of the living God.

Man born blind,

John 9:25 He answered and said, Whether he be a sinner or no, I know not: one thing I know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see.

John 9:33 If this man were not of God, he could do nothing.

Martha,

John 11:27 She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I believe that thou Art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world.

Peter and John,

Acts 4:7-12 And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, By what power, or by what name, have ye done this? Then Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel, If we this day be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man, by what means he is made whole; Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, *even* by him doth this man stand here before you whole. This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner. Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

Apostles,

Acts 5:29-32 Then Peter and the other Apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men. The God of our Fathers raised up Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree. Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of Sins. And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.

Acts 5:42 And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to Teach and preach Jesus Christ.

Stephen,

Acts 7:52 Which of the Prophets have not your Fathers persecuted? and they have slain them which shewed before of the coming of the Just One; of whom ye have been now the betrayers and murderers:

Acts 7:59 And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.

Paul,

Acts 9:29 And he spake boldly in the name of the Lord Jesus, and disputed against the Grecians: but they went about to slay him.

Timothy,

1 Timothy 6:12 Fight the good fight of Faith, lay hold on Eternal Life, whereunto thou Art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.

John,

Revelation 1:9 I John, who also am your brother, and companion in Tribulation, and in the kingdom and Patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.

Church in Pergamos,

Revelation 2:13 I know thy works, and where thou dwellest, even where Satan's Seat is: and thou holdest fast my name, and hast not denied my Faith, even in those days wherein Antipas was my Faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where Satan dwelleth.

Martyrs,

Revelation 20:4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and Judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the Witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

Assurance of Salvation Only for those who are "BAPTIZED!"

As Administered By John.

Matthew 3:5-12. Then went out to him Jerusalem, and all Judaea, and all the region round about Jordan, And were baptized of him in Jordan, confessing their sins. ¶ But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees come to his baptism, he said unto them, O generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bring forth therefore fruits meet for repentance: And think not to say within yourselves, We have Abraham to *our* father: for I say unto you, that God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham. And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees: therefore every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. **I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance:** but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: **he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost,** and *with* fire: Whose fan *is* in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

John 3:23. And John also was baptizing in AEnon near to Salim, because there was much water there: and they came, and were baptized.

Acts 13:24. When John had first preached before his coming **the baptism of repentance** to all the people of Israel.

Acts 19:4. Then said Paul, **John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance**, saying unto the people, that **they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus.**

Christ's Example.

Matthew 3:13-15. Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him. But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me? And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness. Then he suffered him.

Luke 3:21. Now when all the people were baptized, it came to pass, that Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the heaven was opened,

Adopted By Christ.

John 3:22. After these things came Jesus and his disciples into the land of Judaea; and there he tarried with them, and baptized.

John 4:1-2. When therefore the Lord knew how the Pharisees had heard that Jesus made and baptized more disciples than John, (Though Jesus himself baptized not, but his disciples,)

Jesus Christ Commanded To Be Baptized

Matthew 28:19-20. Go ye therefore, and **Teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you:** and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

Peter Commanded To Be Baptized

Acts 10:47-48 Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we? And **he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord.** Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.

Acts 11:16 Then remembered I the word of the Lord, how that he said, **John indeed baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost.**

Acts 16:15 And when she was baptized, and her household, she besought *us*, saying, If ye have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come into my house, and abide *there*. And she constrained us.

Acts 16:33 And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed *their* stripes; and was baptized, he and all his, straightway.

Acts 18:8 And Crispus, the chief ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his house; and many of **the Corinthians hearing believed, and were baptized.**

Paul Commanded To Be Baptized

Acts 19:3-5 And he said unto them, Unto what then were ye baptized? And they said, Unto John's baptism. Then said Paul, **John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus. When they heard *this*, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.**

In The Name of the Father, The Son, And The Holy Ghost.

Matthew 28:19. Go ye therefore, and Teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

Acts 1:5 **For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.**

Acts 11:15-18 And as I began to speak, the Holy Ghost fell on them, *as on us at the beginning*. Then remembered I the word of the Lord, how that he said, **John indeed baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost.** Forasmuch then as God gave them the like gift as *he did* unto us, **who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ;** what was I, that I could withstand God? When they heard these things, they held their peace, and glorified God, saying, **Then hath God also to the Gentiles granted repentance unto life.**

In The Name of Jesus Christ

Acts 19:5 When they heard *this*, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

They That Gladly Received Peter's Words Were Baptized

Acts 2:41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added *unto them* about three thousand souls.

Immediately Upon Hearing & Believing The Gospel

Acts 16:31-34. And they said, **Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.** And they spake unto him the word of the Lord, and to all that were in his house. And **he took them the same hour of the night, and washed *their* stripes; and was baptized, he and all his, straightway.** And when he had brought them into his house, he set meat before them, and rejoiced, **believing in God with all his house.**

“Much Water,” The Outward And Visible Sign In.

1 Corinthians 10:2. And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud **and in the sea;**

John 3:23. And John also was baptizing in AEnon near to Salim, **because there was much water there:** and they came, and were baptized.

Acts 8:36-39 And as they went on *their* way, **they came unto a certain water:** and the eunuch said, See, *here is* water; what doth hinder me to be baptized? And Philip said, If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and **they went down both into the water,** both Philip and the eunuch; and **he baptized him.** And **when they were come up out of the water,** the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing.

Acts 10:47. **Can any man forbid water,** that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we?

Regeneration, The Inward And Spiritual Grace of.

John 3:3. Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God.

John 3:5-6. Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

Titus 3:5-7. Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy **he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;** Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour; That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Faith Necessary To.

Acts 8:36-38. And as they went on *their* way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, **See, *here is* water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?** And Philip said, **If thou believest with all thine heart, thou mayest. And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.** And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.

Acts 18:8. And Crispus, the chief ruler of the synagogue, believed on the Lord with all his house; and many of the Corinthians hearing believed, and were baptized.

Acts 19:4-5 Then said Paul, John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that **they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus. When they heard *this*, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.**

Confession of Sin Necessary To.

Matthew 3:6. And were **baptized of him in Jordan, confessing their sins.**

Repentance Necessary To.

Acts 2:38. Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Remission of Sins, Signified By.

Acts 2:38. Then Peter said unto them, **Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins**, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Acts 22:16. And now why tarriest thou? arise, and **be baptized, and wash away thy sins**, calling on the name of the Lord.

Ephesians 5:26. That he might sanctify and cleanse it **with the washing of water** by the word,

There Is But One.

Ephesians 4:5. One Lord, one Faith, one baptism,

Rebaptism Necessary, When the Gospel is Not Understood, During The First Baptism

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ADMINISTERED TO

Individuals.

Acts 8:38. And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.

Acts 9:18. And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized.

Households.

Acts 16:15. And when she was baptized, and her household, she Besought us, saying, If ye have judged me to be Faithful to the Lord, come into my house, and abide there. And she constrained us.

1 Corinthians 1:16. And I baptized also the household of Stephanas: besides, I know not whether I baptized any other.

John's Baptism Was Unto Repentance.

Matthew 3:11. **I indeed Baptize you with water unto repentance**: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall Baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire:

Acts 19:3-5 And he said unto them, Unto what then were ye baptized? And they said, Unto John's baptism. Then said Paul, **John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance**, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus. When they heard *this*, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

Baptism is for the Remission of Sins, and the Gift of the Holy Ghost

Acts 2:38-39 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ **for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.**

The Believer is Sealed Immediately after Baptism, by the Holy Ghost

Ephesians 1:13 In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also **after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,**

Ephesians 4:30 And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

Unites With Christ's Death, Burial & Resurrection

Romans 6:3-4. Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

Colossians 2:12 Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with *him* through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.

Unites With Christ's Body, The Church

1 Corinthians 12:13. For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether *we be* Jews or Gentiles, whether *we be* bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.

Is How Believers Put On Christ

Galatians 3:27-28. For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.

Genesis 3:21 ¶ Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them.

Job 29:14 I put on righteousness, and it clothed me: my judgment *was* as a robe and a diadem.

Isaiah 61:10 ¶ I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh *himself* with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth *herself* with her jewels.

A Man Which had not on a Wedding Garment

Matthew 22:11-14 And when the king came in to see the guests, **he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment:** And he saith unto him, **Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment?** And he was speechless. Then said the king to

the servants, **Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast *him* into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.** For many are called, but few *are* chosen.

Conducted In Different Houses, Doesn't Divide the Church into Separate Denominations

1 Corinthians 1:13-17. Is Christ divided? was Paul crucified for you? or **were ye baptized in the name of Paul?** ¶ I thank God that I baptized none of you, but Crispus and Gaius; **Lest any should say that I had baptized in mine own name.** And I baptized also the household of Stephanas: besides, I know not whether I baptized any other. ¶ For **Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel:** not with wisdom of words, **lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect.**

Galatians 3:27-28. For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.

Baptism Into Christ's Death Has Set Us Free From The Law

Romans 7:1-4. ¶ Know ye not, brethren, (for I speak to them that know the law,) how that the law hath dominion over a man as long as he liveth? For the woman which hath an husband is bound by the law to *her* husband so long as he liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of *her* husband. So then if, while *her* husband liveth, she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress: but if her husband be dead, she is free from that law; so that she is no adulteress, though she be married to another man. **Wherefore, my brethren, ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; that ye should be married to another, even to him who is raised from the dead, that we should bring forth fruit unto God.**

Replaced Circumcision As The Seal of the New Covenant

Colossians 2:11-13 In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ: Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with *him* through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead. ¶ And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, *hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses;*

One Baptism Vs. When Rebaptism Is Necessary

Ephesians 4:5 states that there is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and yet **Acts 19** demonstrates that when a correct understanding of the gospel is not present, a rebaptism is necessary,

The Thief On The Cross

The thief on the cross demonstrates that faith in Jesus Christ is sufficient to save in extremely rare cases when baptism is impossible. However it is a misinterpretation when someone uses this isolated and very rare circumstance that prevented the thief from being baptized as an excuse to not be baptized, by somebody that is able to be baptized. Anyone that foolishly uses this example as a legal loophole or as a technicality, to downplay the importance of baptism and avoid being baptized, should be warned that there is no excuse for refusing to obey Christ's commandment to be baptized, when you are able to be baptized. If a miracle had set the thief on the cross free, you can be certain that he would have been baptized.

Baptism is Obedience to the Gospel Motivated by Love to Jesus Christ

Baptism Is Not "Salvation By Works."

Mark 16:16 **He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.**

John 14:23-24 Jesus answered and said unto him, **If a man love me, he will keep my words:** and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.

Matthew 7:24-25 **Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.**

All Who Refuse to Obey the Gospel Perish

Mark 16:16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but **he that believeth not shall be damned.**

John 14:24 **He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings:** and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.

Matthew 7:26-27 **And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand:** And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.

2 Thessalonians 1:8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:

1 Peter 4:17 For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?

Baptism "Saves"

In like Figure as the Ark "Saved" From The Flood

1 Peter 3:20-21. Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, **eight souls were saved by water. The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us** (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good Conscience toward God,) by The Resurrection of Jesus Christ:

Mark 16:16. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

The death of Jesus on the Cross saves from sin, Baptism is the sign that unites the repentant believer into Christ's death. Romans 6:1-4. Upon Baptism the believer receives the Holy Ghost, by which he is sealed unto the day of redemption.

The thief on the cross demonstrates that when circumstances make Baptism utterly impossible, Christ will redeem and rejoice with that person in Paradise. However when Baptism is possible, and it is refused, there is no forgiveness of sins. Such refusal is deemed unbelief and denial of Christ.

Baptism Did Not Save the Unrepentant Simon Magus

Simon Magus Believed And Was Baptized

Acts 8:12 But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women. Then **Simon himself believed also: and when he was baptized**, he continued with Philip, and wondered, beholding the miracles and signs which were done.

Simon Magus Had Not Received The Holy Ghost

Acts 8:16 (For as yet he was fallen upon none of them: only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.)

Why Not? Simon Magus Had Not Repented,

Faith, And Baptism In The Name of the Lord Did Not Save Him. The Water Did Not Impart Any Supernatural Powers Or Graces To Simon Magus, Without Repentance, Simon Magus Was Still In The Gall of Bitterness, And In The Bond of Iniquity.

Acts 8:14-25 ¶ Now when the apostles which were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John: Who, when they were come down, prayed for them, **that they might receive the Holy Ghost: (For as yet he was fallen upon none of them: only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.)** Then laid they *their* hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost. And when Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Ghost was given, he offered them money, Saying, Give me also this power, that on whomsoever I lay hands, he may receive the Holy Ghost. But Peter said unto him, Thy money perish with thee, because thou hast thought that the gift of God may be purchased with money. Thou hast neither part nor lot in this matter: for thy heart is not right in the sight of God. **Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee. For I perceive that thou art in the gall of bitterness, and in the bond of iniquity.** Then answered Simon, and said, Pray ye to the Lord for me, that none of these things which ye have spoken come upon me. And they, when they had testified and preached the word of the Lord, returned to Jerusalem, and preached the gospel in many villages of the Samaritans.

Acts 8:36 And as they went on *their* way, they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch said, See, *here is* water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?

Acts 8:38 And he commanded the chariot to stand still: and they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him.

Acts 9:18 And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized.

Typified.

1 Corinthians 10:2. And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea;

“For the Remission of Sins,” – Forgiveness

Forgiven of Sin By Faith In Jesus's Atonement on the Cross — Alone

1 Corinthians 13:4-5. (NLT) **LOVE** is patient and kind. **LOVE** is not jealous or boastful or proud or rude. It does not demand its own way. It is not irritable, and it **KEEPS NO RECORD OF BEING WRONGED.**

1 John 4:7-8. ¶ Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for **GOD IS LOVE.**

The Lord Will Not Impute Sin.

Romans 4:7-8. *Saying,* Blessed are **they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered.** **8** Blessed *is* the man to whom **THE LORD WILL NOT IMPUTE SIN.**

Impute: to account or record on behalf

Isaiah 53:10-12. ¶ Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put *him* to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see *his* seed, he shall prolong *his* days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand. He shall see of the travail of his soul, *and* shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for **he shall bear their iniquities.** Therefore will I divide him *a portion* with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and **he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.**

2 Corinthians 5:19-20. To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, **not imputing their trespasses unto them;** and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation. Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech *you* by us: we pray *you* in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

Philemon 18-19. **If he hath wronged thee, or oweth thee ought, put that on mine account;** I Paul have written *it* with mine own hand, I will repay *it*: albeit I do not say to thee how thou owest unto me even thine own self besides.

1 Peter 2:24. **Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree,** that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: **by whose stripes ye were healed.**

1 Peter 3:18. ¶ For **Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God,** being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit:

The Blood of Jesus Christ His Son Cleanseth Us From All Sin.

1 John 1:7-9. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and **the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.** ¶ If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. **If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Your Sins Are Forgiven.

1 John 2:12. ¶ I write unto you, little children, because **your sins are forgiven** you for his name's sake.

Whosoever Believeth In Him Shall Receive Remission of Sins.

Acts 10:43. To him give all the prophets witness, that **through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins.**

Through Jesus Is Preached Unto You The Forgiveness of Sins.

Acts 13:38. Be it known unto you therefore, men *and* brethren, that **through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins:**

All That Believe Are Justified From All Things.

Acts 13:39. And **by him all that believe are justified from all things**, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses.

That Your Sins May Be Blotted Out.

Acts 3:19. Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord;

We Have The Forgiveness of Sins.

Colossians 1:14. In whom we have redemption through his blood, *even* the forgiveness of sins:

Having Forgiven You All Trespasses.

Colossians 2:13-14. ¶ And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses; Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross.

To The Lord Our God Belong Mercies And Forgivenesses.

Daniel 9:9. To the Lord our God *belong* mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him.

We Have Redemption Through His Blood.

Ephesians 1:6-8. To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved. In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace; Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence.

By Grace Are Ye Saved Through Faith.

Ephesians 2:4-9. ¶ But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) And hath raised *us* up together, and made *us* sit together in heavenly *places* in Christ Jesus: That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in *his* kindness toward us through Christ Jesus. **For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.**

Forgiving Iniquity And Transgression And Sin.

Exodus 34:6-7. And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, The LORD, The LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth, Keeping mercy for thousands, **forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin**, and that will by no means clear *the guilty*; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children's children, unto the third and to the fourth *generation*.

He Had By Himself Purged Our Sins.

Hebrews 1:3. Who being the brightness of *his* glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, **when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down** on the right hand of the Majesty on high.

Their Sins And Iniquities Will I Remember No More.

Hebrews 10:17. And **their sins and iniquities will I remember no more.**

Hebrews 8:12. For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and **their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more.**

He Obtained Eternal Redemption For Us.

Hebrews 9:12. Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but **by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.**

The Blood of Christ, Purges The Conscience.

Hebrews 9:14 **How much more shall the blood of Christ**, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, **purge your conscience from dead works** to serve the living God?

Though Your Sins Be As Scarlet.

Isaiah 1:18. Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: **though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.**

The People Shall Be Forgiven Their Iniquity.

Isaiah 33:24. And the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick: the people that dwell therein *shall be* forgiven *their* iniquity.

The Lord Will Not Remember Thy Sins.

Isaiah 43:25. I, *even I, am* he that blotteth out thy transgressions for mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins.

I Have Blotted Out, As A Thick Cloud, Thy Transgressions.

Isaiah 44:22. I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud, thy sins: return unto me; for I have redeemed thee.

Seek Ye The Lord While He May Be Found.

Isaiah 55:6-11. ¶ Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, *for* he will abundantly pardon. For my thoughts *are* not your thoughts, neither *are* your ways my ways, saith the LORD. For *as* the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper *in the thing* whereto I sent it.

I Will Remember Their Sin No More.

Jeremiah 31:34. And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the LORD: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.

I Will Cleanse Them From All Their Iniquity.

Jeremiah 33:8. And **I will cleanse them from all their iniquity**, whereby they have sinned against me; and **I will pardon all their iniquities**, whereby they have sinned, and whereby they have transgressed against me.

I Will Pardon Them.

Jeremiah 50:20. In those days, and in that time, saith the LORD, the iniquity of Israel shall be sought for, and *there shall be* none; and the sins of Judah, and they shall not be found: for **I will pardon them** whom I reserve.

Thou Art A Gracious God, And Merciful.

Jonah 4:2. And he prayed unto the LORD, and said, I pray thee, O LORD, *was* not this my saying, when I was yet in my country? Therefore I fled before unto Tarshish: for I knew that thou *art* a gracious God, and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repentest thee of the evil.

Ye May Be Clean From All Your Sins.

Leviticus 16:30. For on that day shall *the priest make an atonement for you, to cleanse you, that ye may be clean from all your sins before the LORD.*

Romans 5:11. And not only *so*, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom **we have now received the atonement.**

The Remission of Their Sins.

Luke 1:77. To give knowledge of salvation unto his people by the remission of their sins,

Remission of Sins Should Be Preached In His Name.

Luke 24:47. *And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.*

He Shall Save His People From Their Sins.

Matthew 1:21. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.

God Delighteth In Mercy.

Micah 7:18-19. Who *is* a God like unto thee, that pardoneth iniquity, and passeth by the transgression of the remnant of his heritage? he retaineth not his anger for ever, because he delighteth *in* mercy. He will turn again, he will have compassion upon us; he will subdue our iniquities; and thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea.

Thou Art A God Ready To Pardon.

Nehemiah 9:17. And refused to obey, neither were mindful of thy wonders that thou didst among them; but hardened their necks, and in their rebellion appointed a captain to return to their bondage: but **thou art a God ready to pardon, gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and forsookest them not.**

Who Forgiveth All Thine Iniquities.

Psalm 103:2-4. Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: ³**Who forgiveth all thine iniquities;** who healeth all thy diseases; ⁴**Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies;**

As The East Is From The West.

Psalm 103:12. As far as the east is from the west, *so* far hath he removed our transgressions from us.

The Lord Is Merciful And Gracious.

Psalm 103:7-8. He made known his ways unto Moses, his acts unto the children of Israel. The LORD *is* merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.

Blessed Is He Whose Transgression Is Forgiven.

Psalm 32:1. ¶ *A Psalm of David, Maschil. Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.*

Blot Out My Transgressions.

Psalm 51:1. ¶ **Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.**

Create In Me A Clean Heart.

Psalm 51:9-13. Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me *with thy* free spirit. *Then* will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

As For Our Transgressions, Thou Shalt Purge Them Away.

Psalm 65:3. Iniquities prevail against me: *as for* our transgressions, thou shalt purge them away.

O Lord, Art A God Full of Compassion.

Psalm 86:15-16. But thou, O Lord, *art* a God full of compassion, and gracious, longsuffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth. O turn unto me, and have mercy upon me; give thy strength unto thy servant, and save the son of thine handmaid.

Thou, Lord, Art Good, And Ready To Forgive

Psalm 86:5. For thou, Lord, *art* good, and ready to forgive; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon thee.

Jesus Loved Us, And Washed Us From Our Sins.

Revelation 1:5. And from Jesus Christ, *who is* the faithful witness, *and* the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

Revelation 7:14. And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

There Shall Come Out of Sion The Deliverer.

Romans 11:26. And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob:

I Shall Take Away Their Sins.

Romans 11:27. For this *is* my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins.

Where Sin Abounded, Grace Did Much More Abound.

Romans 5:20. Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:

There Shall Be A Fountain Opened To The House of David.

Zechariah 13:1. ¶ In that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for uncleanness.

Parable of the Good Fruit & the Evil Fruit

Matthew 7:15-20 ¶ Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither *can* a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.

Parable of the Two Foundations

Matthew 7:21-27 ¶ Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity. Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock. And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.

Parable of the Tares and Wheat

Place: Seashore of Galilee

Matthew 13:24-30 ¶ Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field: ²⁵ But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. ²⁶ But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also. ²⁷ So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares? ²⁸ He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up? ²⁹ But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. ³⁰ Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.

Matthew 13:36-43 Then Jesus sent the multitude away, and went into the house: and his disciples came unto him, saying, Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field. ³⁷ He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man; ³⁸ The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked *one*; ³⁹ The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels. ⁴⁰ As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world. ⁴¹ The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; ⁴² And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³ Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.